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Subject Report of the Deputy Commissioner to the Chief Secretary to Govt Regarding the C.D movement in Chitaldurg

R. P. MALLAPPA, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner.

D. O. Jl.P.R.9/42-43

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Dated Chitaldrug 10th August 1942.

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C.B. 147-42-25

Dear Sir.

With reference to Government Notification No. 619/C.B. dated the 9th August 1942 declaring District Committees of the Mysore Congress to be unlawful associations, I write to request you to state whether the District Committees include the Taluk Committees also as there are committees of the Mysore Congress in each Taluk of this District.

Yours sincerely,

To

Mothameed-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
BANGALORE.

Note is not necessary, in my opinion

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT,

Dated Bangalore, 11th August 1942.

No. 769/C.B.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your D. O. letter No.J1.P.K. 9, dated the 10th August 1942, I am desired to state that District Committees referred to in Notification No.619/C.B. dated the 9th August 1942 do not include Taluk Congress Committees.

Yours sincerely,

(Sd.) M. G. Mehkri,
Chief Secretary to Government.

T o

R. P. Mallappa, Esqr., B.A., LL.B.,
District Magistrate, Chitaldrug District.

Memo No.770-79/C.B.

Copy of the above is forwarded, with compliments, to the District Magistrates Bangalore Dist & S. G. P. with reference to Notification No.619/C.B. dated the 9th August 1942. issued in Gazette Extraordinary of the same date.

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Chief Secretary to Govt.

No 769/CS Dated 11.8.42

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Yours sincerely.

Chief Secretary to Govt

R. P. Mallappa, Esqr., B.A., LL.B.,
District Magistrate, Chitaldrug District.

Memo No. 770-79/CS dt 11-8-42

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Chief Secy to Govt

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NOTICE.

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Telephone message.

15-8-1942. 11.35 A.M.

From

The Deputy Commissioner.

Chitaldrug District.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government, Bangalore

"Arrived Davangere. Students are behaving in a rowdy manner. They are picketting Law Courts and obstructing trains. Please send Military and Police force immediately and let me know whether ~~they~~ our Police can enter Railway jurisdiction to clear the mob So far no act of violence has been done. The Police force here is not adequate to take strong action. Police van badly required. Telegraphic lines appear to have been cut."

~~Submitted.~~

No 867/C3

15th August 42

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Mr. R. P. Mallappa

With reference to your telephone message to-day requesting the despatch of Military and Police force, I am desired to draw your attention to the assistance already sent to you by the Inspector General of Police.

As regards our Police entering the Railway jurisdiction to clear the mob. I invite your kind attention to my letter No.P1085-97 dated the 15th August 1942 with which I have sent you the corresponding references which enable your Police to enter the Railway jurisdiction to clear the mob

In this connection, I am to suggest your obtaining the necessary support from the leading merchants to prevent destruction of property You may also avail yourself of the assistance of the Civic Guards only for protection of property and not for any other purpose.

Yours truly,

S/S

R. P. Mallappa, Esq., B.A.,LL.B.
District Magistrate, Camp Davangere.

TELEPHONE MESSAGE FROM THE TRAFFIC MANAGER, MYSORE STATE RAILWAY.

2.40. P.M.

15th August 1942.

Today when 4 Down Passenger arrived Davangere station at 10.45. A.M., it was stopped at the outer signal by Congress crowds, interfering with the safe passage of train by placing obstruction on the track. Train detained at the station also. All telegraphic and telephonic connections between Davangere and Harihar and ~~Harihar~~ Davangere and Tolahunase cut off. Detention to train 15 minutes.

A large crowd of Congressites, mostly students, entered Hassan station premises at 10.30. A.M., shouting slogans and stood across the track obstructing passage for 10 Down Passenger. Train stopped at the outer signal and was piloted with Police help. Crowd entered into carriages causing inconvenience to passengers. V plate of engine broken.

Submitted to the Law Minister

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G. Narasimha Murthy
Private Secretary to
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S.B.No.124/42-43 dated the 13th August 1942 from the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug District, to the Deputy - Commissioner, Chitaldrug District.

In continuation of my report No.S.B.124/42-43 dated 12.8.1942, I beg to state that the situation at Chitaldrug Town is peaceful. There is a rumour that a hartal will be observed - in the town on the 15th instant and necessary verification is - being made if there is any truth in the rumour. The new Middle School was closed till 17th instant since the boys insisted on a holiday.

Davangere Town:- As per telephone message received in the morning from the Assistant Superintendent of Police, Davangere, the situation was peaceful and sirce the students did not attend classes, the schools were closed. From a later message received, it is learnt that the Middle school boys and some girls went in procession in the streets in the town. There was no hartal observed.

Challakere: It is reported that two shops kept by local - congressmen were closed at Challakere on 11.8.1942 as a protest.

Copy of the report of the Police Inspector, Davangere, containing details of incidents of yesterday at Davangere is - enclosed herewith for favour of kind perusal.

No.J1.P.R.9/42-43/Encl:One. Office of the Deputy Commissioner, ChitaldrugDistrict, Chitaldrug, dated, 14th August 1942.

Memo.

Copy of the above along with that of its enclosure is forwarded with compliments to the Chief Secretary to Government, for favour of kind information of Government.

Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District.

Sd/- for perusal
Law Dept 2,
Bangalore

Report of the Inspector of Police, Davangere, dated 12-8-42.

Beg to report that this day at about 7 A.M. the students of the Jayadeva Hostel (numbering about 40) - Davangere Town, headed by one Shanmugiah, an High School student started procession from Jayadeva Hostel and went to High School and were requesting some of the Government High School students to join them and the procession. Then the High School Head Master Mr. T.N. Krishna Rao advised the boys to go to their respective classes. Some of the students went inside the class. But some of them remained outside and began to shout "Gandhiki Jai" "Vandematharam" etc. Then after half an hour the High School students who had the examination were let off since the examination papers had not been received by post. Some of them also joined. Then about 70 to 80 boys gathered. Then started procession in the town:

13/8/42

One Vedamurthy of Davangere who has come from Bangalore Inter College and one Banaji of Davangere an old student of High School who is now working in a Cycle shop at Barr-line Road and Shanmugiah. Davangere High School led the procession; shouting slogans " Vandematharam" ".Mahatma Gandhiki Jai." " ಬ್ರಿಟಿಷರೇ, ಬಿಟ್ಟು ಹೋಗಿರಿ " " Britishers go back" etc. They went in the town via Mandipet, Thambakpet, Chowkipet, Chamarajpet, singing and shouting slogans. About 150 to 200 people including students collected - then for the second time, they came in the town via Mandipet, Thambakpet, Chowkipet, Vinoda Talkies Road requesting the shop keepers to close their shops and observe hartal. Some of the shop owners closed their shops - then the boys went to the Old Middle School and there they began to shout. Then the old Middle School boys came out of the school. Then they went to the Girls' Middle School and began to shout and asked the girls to come out. But the classes were going on; the doors of the compound and the schools being closed, They shouted there for half-an-hour and they came back to the High School Maidan. The D.E.A. School boys also joined them. Then they all came back to the High School maidan at 1 P.M. and held

The boys of Jayadeva Hostel before starting procession in the morning had pasted in three or four places the following posters, copy of which is herewith enclosed for kind perusal.

The local Congressites Mr. Bandade Hanumantha Rao. Congress President, Mr. G. Veerappa, R.D. Yellappa, K.T. Jambanna announced at 8 A.M. that there will be hartal. The shop-keepers were requested by them to close their shops. Then they returned home.

No sooner the students and the congressites turned their backs the shop-keepers have opened their shops opening half doors.

In the High School maidan when the meeting was held. about 150 boys were present. The following students spoke in the meeting. One Bakkaiah, Government High School student. Davangere spoke first. Next spoke one T. Mahadeviah, an old student of the High School. Afterwards Janardana Rao, student, Govt. High School. Davangere. spoke. Lastly Vadamurthy, spoke, The meeting lasted from 1 P.M. to 2 P.M. and they all said that the Britishers have arrested all their leaders - Mahatma Gandhi, Nehru and others and they have resorted to repressive measures and as such all over India, people have observed hartal and the students Federation has resolved not to go to schools and colleges till their leaders are liberated and as such they should not go to schools and colleges and they need not be afraid of the with-holding of scholar-ship and free-ships and they should be prepared to sacrifice their everything for the sake of the country and their leaders etc. Then they passed the following three resolutions:-

1)

2)

3)

(2nd resolution will be sent to Students' federation).

These resolutions are said to have been passed at Bangalore by the students and the same resolutions are copied by Vedamurthy and read in the meeting and accepted.

Then the meeting terminated at 2 P.M. with Gandhi-ki-jai.

The details of speeches made by them will be duly submitted.

While dispersing Vedamurthy told the students, that from tomorrow, the students themselves should make up their minds not to go to schools, inspite of their parents' advice and they should show themselves as sons of the soil and from tomorrow it will not be possible for them to collect and observe strikes as has been done to-day etc.

Then the students dispersed and went to their homes.

The movements of the local congressites and the students are watched. Further developments will be duly reported. I met Bandode Hanuamantha Rao - Davangere Congress President. He said they are not going to deliver speeches. But they wait till they receive instructions from Bangalore, etc.

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Superintendent of Police,
Chitaldrug District.

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శ్రీ లక్ష్మీ మోహనరావు.

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రాత్రి పడుకోగానే నిద్ర వచ్చింది. నన్ను ఇంద్రుడు భూమిలో ఉన్న భారతదేశాన్ని చేరి పడి లుధియానా దుప్పటి యుద్ధంలో కాపు గార్డు నిద్రాహారాలు మానివేసి. ఎలాంటి ఓమన గలిగిన రంగు రక్తం ప్రవహించిన కాశ్మీరం అంటే ఇష్టపడని వారు ఈ ముంబై దాడుల్లో నేరుగా సైనికులు వచ్చి ఉగ్రవాదులను ఏరివేసి నిప్పుగా మన్నించారు. అంధ్రదేశంలో గుంటూరు కాపలా నేరం. కరాంచీ నుంచి గదర్ పేల్చిన ముష్కరులు ఇక్కడ ఉగ్రవాదులను చంపడానికి వచ్చిన వారు చేతిలో ఉన్న ఆయుధాలు వదిలి పారిపోవడం చూసి ధైర్యంగా ఎదిరించి మా రాష్ట్రాన్ని ప్రాణాలకు తెగించి భారతమాత రక్షణ కోసం ప్రాణాలు అర్పించిన మన్నెం విద్యార్థి యువ కార్యకర్తలకు శ్రద్ధాంజలి ఘటిస్తూ భారతీయులను మళ్ళీ ఇలాంటి దాడులు జరగకుండా చూడవలసిందిగా కోరుతూ

ధన్యవాదాలు.

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No.Jl.P.R.9/42-43/Encl:One.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug, dated, 14th August 1942.

From

R.P.Mallappa, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug Distfictm
Chitaldrug.

To

Mohamed-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose for the information of - Government a report just now received from the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug District. The students at Davangere who were - having peaceful procession till today is stated to have rushed to the Munsiff Court this afternoon and asked him to resign the post. The Revenue Sub Division Officer and the Police were immediately on the - spot and took precautionary measures to see that nothing untoward - happened. The students are likely to do some acts of violence and induce the mill coolies to strike tomorrow from the information received.

I am proceeding to Davangere with the District Superintendent of Police tomorrow morning and have also wired to the Inspector-General of Police for extra force for Davangere and Chitaldrug where also the students are likely to resort to acts of violence.

I am issuing orders under section 56 of the Defence of India Rules as applied to Mysore prohibiting the meetings and - processions in connection with the congress movement for a period of two months.

I shall take action, if necessary under Rule 26 of - the Defence of India Rules as applied to Mysore in respect of Congress

Congress leaders suspected to organise the meetings and processions.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

S.B. Report No.124/42-43 dated the 14th August 1942 from the - District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug District.

In continuation of my report No.S.B.124/42-43 dated 13.8.42 I beg to state that this morning at about 9 o' clock 50 students - gathered in the Municipal Park at Chitaldrug Town and went round the - streets of the town in procession shouting slogans. They were also requesting the shop-keepers to close the shops. Many of them closed their shops for some time. As the procession passed along the town it gained in - strength gradually and when they met in the maidan opposite to Neelakanteswara Temple, the gathering numbered about ~~22~~ 250. In the meeting the speakers (students) exhorted the audience not to be afraid of the penalties that may be imposed on them by the Educational authorities - for partibipation in strikes. It is learnt that some caps were also - burnt.

The local Girls' School was also closed. It was announced - that a meeting of students is arranged this evening.

It is learnt that the students have resolved to organise - 'Prabhat Pheri' every morning in the town.

The following persons took a leading part this morning:-

1. Rudrappa VI form Student.
   Jayanna -do-
   Doddabasappa -do-
   Basavaraj
   Gopalakrisha V form
   Tailor Krishna
   Nazir
   Satyanaryana
   Dathathriswamy and
   B.N.Shama Rao.

The boys dispersed at about 1 P.M., Thereafter, no - further incidents have come to notice till now.

Davangere: Telephone message was received at 10 A.M., from the Assistant Superintendent o f Police to state that a public - meeting of students was held on the previous night. One Murigappa (who is not sound in midd) husband of Bellary Siddamma, presided. One Indira Bai, a relative of Mr.Bandade Hanumantha Rao and several students spoke in the usual strain. The meeting terminated at 9.30 P.M.,

Another telephone message was received just now from the - Assistant Superintendent of Police, Davangere, to state that the - students went round in procession in the town and were joined - by others also. They went to Munsiff's Court and wanted the Munsiff to resign. It is also learnt that the local Police Officers and men were on the spot and saw that no trouble ensued. It is learnt that the students would repeat the same conduct tomorrow morning. Immediate - action appears to be necessary to put a stop to these acts.

It is also learnt from the Assistant Superintendent of Police, Davangere, that Mr. G. Veerappa, President of the Town Congress Committee, went to Harihar this morning and was inciting the local congress people to observe hartals. This will be duly verified and reported.

The situation at Davangere and Chitaldrug has to be controlled to prevent matters getting out of control. Hence, additional armed - reserve for Davangere, atleast 48 men considering the population of the town and 24 men for Chitaldrug is urgently necessary.

The Situation at Chitaldrug being also developing fast, the presence of a responsible Police Officer is necesssry here. In view of the situation reported just now by the Assistant Superintendent of Police, I shall proceed there, after looking to the trouble tonight at Chitaldrug.

" C O P Y "

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

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K. P. MALLAPPA, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

D. O. Jl.P.R.9/42-43
Encl:One.

Dated Chitaldrug, 13th August *1942*.

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER
FOR EDUCATION
Date. 15-8-42
No. 660

Dear Sir,

I enclose herein for favour of information of Government, a copy of report No.S.B.124/42-43 dated the - 12th August 1942 received from the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug District, detailing the activities at Chitaldrug and Davangere in connection with strikes by students of the Schools. A careful watch is arranged and necessary precautionary measures will be taken to control the activities.

Yours sincerely,

To

Mothamed-ul-Mulk,
M.G.Mehkri,Esq.,B.A.,LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government
Bangalore.

S.B.Report No.124/42-43, Chitaldrug, dated the 12th August 1942
from the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug District.
to the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District.

In continuation of my report No.124/S.B./42-43 dated 11th August, I beg to state as follows:-

In consequence of the move from some of the students of Reddi Hostel in Chitaldrug Town, an attempt was made this morning to strike work in the local High School. The Head Master and the Assistant Masters of the High School prevailed upon the boys to attend classes. All the students except a few attended classes till 1.30 P.M Thereafter about 1/3 of the strength of the School - i.e., about 200 absented themselves. The students were shouting slogans at the end of each period when they had to change the class rooms. There was no disturbance of any other kind. The Middle Schools and Primary Schools worked normally. The High School Head Master declared that the School was closed till the 17th instant in consequence of a telegram received from the Director of Public Instruction this afternoon. There was no other activity in Chitaldrug this day.

Davangere Town:

A telephone message was received this morning from the Assistant Superintendent of Police, Davangere, to the effect that the High School students at Davangere did not attend classes this morning and intend to go on procession in the streets of Davangere Town. According to a later message received, it is learnt that the Boys went in procession in the town in the morning requesting the shop-keepers to observe Hartal for today. Some of them closed the shops at the time and opened after the boys went away. The students met together after the procession was over and passed three resolutions one of which was to the effect that the students should not attend classes till they heard from their Federation. There was a rumour that a public meeting would take place this evening but upto the time of writing this report, there is no announcement or preparation to hold such a public meeting. It is reported that the situation is peaceful. A detailed report about the incidents

is received from the Assistant Superintendent of Police. Davangere.

There are no reports of any unrest in any other Taluks of this District.

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Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

No.Jl.P.R.9/42-43
Encls:2.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,
Camp. Davangere, dated, 15th August 1942.

From

R.P.Mallappa, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug.

To

Mothamed-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

In confirming the marginally noted telegram sent last night
****
SITUATION DAVANGERE THREATENING PLEASE ARRANGE*
TO SEND 80 MILITARY TOMORROW POLICE SENDING *
RESERVE *
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and the telephone message sent this morning, I have the honour to enclose the copies of reports received from the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug District and the Assistant Commissioner, Davangere Sub Division and to state

Telephone message.

Arrived at Davangere. The students are behaving in rowdy manner. They are picketing Law Courts and obstructing trains. Please send Military and Police force immediately and let me know whether our Police can enter Railway Jurisdiction to clear the mob. So far no acts of violence have been done. The Police force here is not adequate to take strong action. Van is badly required. Telegraph lines appear to have been cut.

that the students in Davangere who were having peaceful processions in connection with the arrest of congress leaders in British India and in Mysore for the first three days suddenly began to commit acts of rowdyism and to behave in a disorderly manner since yesterday afternoon. Taking this opportunity some bad elements in Davangere have also joined with them to commit disorderly acts. After the disturbance at the Munsiff Court yesterday wherein two persons got into the Court and asked the Munsiff to resign the post and join with them in the congress movement the students held a meeting and in pursuance of the resolutions passed thereat they began to break the ornamental bulbs, cut the telegraphic and telephone wires

compartments and molested the European Passengers. On receipt of telephone message from the Assistant Commissioner, Davangere Sub Division that the crowd was behaving in a very disorderly manner, that they were likely to continue more violent acts and that the situation was threatening, I was obliged to send a requisition for the Military. The Inspector-General of Police - phoned to me that he would send 24 Reserve men by this morning's passenger train. They have not yet arrived.

I cameto Davanaere this morning with the District Superintendent of Police. When the Bangalore passenger arrived the crowd consisting of students and bad characters rushed into the station platform and obstructed the train at the distant signal. Some got into the Enaine and the Cabin. The train was held up for over an hour. I doubted whether the Mysore Police had jurisdiction to go to the Station Platform and clear the crowd. On the representation of the District Traffic Superintendent, I sent the Police Officers to clear the crowd and make way for the train to steam to the platform. There was the same disorderly behaviour on the part of the crowd as was on the previous night. Some of the passengers were molested and mishandled. This was due to the inadequate staff of the Railway Police. The Commissioner of Police, Bangalore Cantonment has been wired by the Station Authorities to send more staff. I request the favour of orders of - Government whether in such cases the State Police can enter the - Station jurisdiction and assist in clearing the crowds and preventing disorderly acts.

I sent for the leaders of several communities in the Town and also the Vice-President of the Local Congress Committee and - requested them to advise the students to behave better. They say that the students have gone beyond their control and do not care - for their advice and that they are evidently been backed up by some local merchants and others interested in the movement.

enter into Law Courts and prevent them from working and to attack the Police Station. There appears to have been an attempt last night to set fire to the Municipal Reading Room. The students appear to have been set up by some students who have come from Belgaum Bangalore and Tumkur. They have not so far done any acts of violence today except obstructing every train that comes into Davangere Station Platform. With the extra force that is expected this evening it will be possible to take stronger measures against them if in case they behave in a disorderly manner resorting to acts of violence. The situation is somewhat threatening but under control. I shall submit a further report tomorrow.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

S.B.No.124/42-43

Submitted to the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District.

Late last night, I received information that obstruction was caused to the mail train by a crowd consisting mostly of students and that the passage was cleared with difficulty. After making - necessary Police arrangements at Chitaldrug since there is information that the students would picket the District Offices and - Law courts in the morning, I left Chitaldrug in the early hours along with the Deputy Commissioner and came to Davangere.

The town is in a restless condition. The leaders of the place were got and requested to advice the students from indulging in such activities. They pleaded their inability to control the - students.

Meanwhile the morning train from Poona to Bangalore was due to arrive. A big mob consisting of students and outsiders got into the Railway limits (C & M Station jurisdiction) and obstructed the train by getting into the way, and entering into the cabin. It is learnt that in the confusion some passengers were maltreated. After about an hour the passage was cleared with difficulty.

The students went in ~~as~~ a procession in the streets of - Davangere and have not yet dispersed. It is ascertained they are having their usual public meeting in the Gandhi Maidan this evening.

A large number of outsiders (non-students) also have joined in the affair and the situation is very threatening. The force available is totally inadequate to control the mob should they get unruly. Hence additional force is an urgent necessity.

Additional police help that could be spared is given to C & M Station Police Staff on duty at Davangere (which is very inadequate to guard the goodshed) till additional jurisdiction police staff is received.

"C O P Y"

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

to concert measures for the next day.

At about 6.30 P.M. the crowd again met at Gandhi Maidan and engaged themselves in shouting congress slogans. Lectures by various persons followed and finally the meeting dispersed resolving upon the ~~xxxx~~ plan of action for the next day, stopping of trains and picketting of Law courts and Government offices being some of the items ~~xf~~ on the programme. The crowd while retiring back to their homes stoned a few electric ornamental bulbs in the Municipal park.

Within half an hour of their dispersal, the mail train that steamed into the platform was beseiged by the crowd which consisted mostly of boys of various ages. ~~Xxxx~~ The boys are reported to have rushed into the compartments without tickets and kept on pulling the alarm chain whenever the train attempted to move. Within a distance of a furlong the train had to stop in half a dozen places as per the version of the Railway station Master. Finally the Railway authorities were obliged to disconnect the ~~xaccum~~, connecting the alarm chain to proceed further. All these incidents delayed the train's departure by nearly ninety minutes. It is also said that the crowd here and there picked up persons wearing European costumes and stripped them of their hats and ties to make a bonfire of them. A similar demonstration is expected this day when the passenger train arrives at Davanagere by about 9 A.M.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant.

Sd/- B. Beerappa.
Assistant Commissioner,
& Ex-officio First class Magistra
Davanagere.

"Copy"

Deputy Commissioner
Chitaldrug District
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Office of the Assistant Commissioner,
& Ex-officio First Class Magistrate,
Dated, Davanagere, 15th August 1942

From,

The Assistant Commissioner,
& Ex-officio First Class Magistrate,
Davanagere

To,

The Deputy Commissioner,
& District Magistrate,
Chitaldroog District,
Chitaldroog

Sir,

I have the honour to state that yesterday at about 2 P.M. the Assistant Superintendent of police, Davanagere came to my office and told me that the school students who started in procession were squatting near the Munsiff Court contemplating to offer Satyagraha to prevent the court work etc. I immediately proceeded to the place with the Assistant Superintendent of polic and found a crowd of nearly 1000 people comprising of all classes of people gathered near the court premises. Just then the assembly was authorising one old man by name Anekonda Sidramanna to enter the court and to prevail upon the Munsiff to stop his court work and to join them in carrying on the Civil Disobedience movement. I went into the Munsiff court and found the Munsiff in his chamber. Meanwhile the satyagrahi and his assistant one Khadi Bhandar Siddappa entered the chamber and addressed the Munsiff to stop his court work and to resign his job. The Munsiff tried to persuade them in vain. He then got into the court Hall to complete his work for the day. The Assistant Superintendent of police detained the satyagrahi and his Assistant and prevented them from entering the court Hall. Within a quarter of an hour the court work came to a close and the Munsiff left the court.

The crowd that was anxiously waiting outside the court building, to know the result of the satyagraha offered by their chosen representative received this news with great disappointment and dismay. Having thus been foiled in their attempt for the

Mothamad-ul-Mulk

No 887/ CB

17th August 2

Dear Sir,

I am desired to acknowledge the receipt of your D. O. letter No.Jl.P.R.42-43 dated the 16th August 1942 and to invite your attention to letter No.R.F.91-40/Judl. dated the 15th August 1942 (a copy of which was sent to you yesterday) received from the Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore, empowering the Mysore State Military and Police Forces to operate on the railway lands in the State over which jurisdiction vests with the British Government.

I am also to state that arrangements are being made to afford military protection ~~in~~ to trains.

Yours sincerely.

Chief Secretary.

R. P. Mallappa, Esqr., B.A., LL.B.
Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District.

No.J1.P.R.9/42-43
Encls: one

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,

Camp. Davangere, dated, 16th August 1942.

A letter has been sent by Yesterday's express to the police authorities to enter cantonment area for search of the lorry

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your D.O. letters No.867/C.B. dated 15th August 1942 and Government Official Memorandum No.P.1085-97/PP.19-42-1 dated the 15th August 1942 together with its enclosures. I see that Enclosures (5) and (6) attached to the Official Memorandum only contemplate co-operation between the Mysore Police and Bangalore Cantonment Police. In the present case there has been no requisition from the Cantonment Railway Police. There are only two or three Cantonment Constables in the Davangere Station limits. I request clear instructions of Government on the following points:-

(1) Whether the Mysore State Police can enter the Station limits and act without a requisition from the Cantonment Police for co-operation and without authority of the Political Agent accredited to the State as contamplated in para 3 of Railway Lands (Employment of Indian States Forces) Law 1939.

(2) Whether after entering the Railway limits the Mysore Police in case of emergency such as recourse to lathi charge or firing can act without orders of a Magistrate as the Cantonment Magistrate who has jurisdiction over the Station limits will not be on the spot and any orders of the Magistrate of the State in such circumstances having no jurisdiction would be illegal.

I request that instructions to these points may kindly be sent either by Phone tomorrow if possible, as the mob is increasing every day at the train time in the station limits.

In this connection, I beg to state that students get into the train right up from Tumkur and the trains are detained at any place on the way. To prevent the students getting in at the intermediate stations it appears to me necessary that a batch of cantonment armed Police travel in a compartment in ~~evening~~ every train to prevent students and people without ticket getting into the train to the annoyance of the passengers. This would also -

passengers in the train. The Students and others without ticket are making use of the train for propaganda work.

I enclose a copy of the report received from the District Superintendent of Police as to local situation at Davangere

If deemed fit the Commissioner of Police and the Collector of Bangalore Cantonment may be consulted in the matter and effective action taken to send a batch of armed Police in every train without which there appears to be no safety for the property and person of the passengers travelling in the train.

There are ten Railway Stations on the Bangalore - Hubli line within my jurisdiction. With the inadequate Police force, it is not possible to make arrangements at all Stations Arrangement will be made as far as possible in the Station limits of Chikjajur, Davangere and Harihar.

The situation at Davangere is peaceful except for the mob obstructing and detaining the trains in station limits.

I request an early reply on the points in respect of which I have sought instructions of Government.

Yours sincerely,

To

Mothamed-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

No.S.B.124/42-43

Camp. Davangere
Dated, 16th August 1942.

Submitted to the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District.

In continuation of my report No.S.B.124/42-43 dated the 15th August 1942, I beg to state that a detachment of P.R.P. of 26 strong arrived at Davangere yesterday evening by the passenger train. They are kept in the Taluk Office ready for action for emergencies. The P.R.P. detachment of Chitaldroog has not been disturbed since this force may be required at any time at Chitaldrug.

It is learnt that there was a procession of bous at - Chitaldroog yesterday morning and thereafter the bous met and - announced that they would not attend classes indefinitely. It is learnt this morning also there was a similar procession of a more boistrous nature since some of the students from Davangere had joined. It is reported that some caps were snatched away from some of the - pedestrians and burnt.

HARIHAR.

There was a procession yesterday of the bous in the streets. Some foreign caps were burnt. Since t is day is 'Garudapanchami'. I visited Harihar in the morning along with the Deputy Commissioner. It is learnt that Panchami processions will be taken out tomorrow. There was a procession of boys in the streets of this town. After giving necessary instructions to the local officers, we returned to Davangere.

DAVANGERE.

The evening passenger train yesterday came late by about 2 hours. There was a big number of students and others in the train. Meanwhile the local crowd also joined them. It is learnt that the - students are travelling from Tumkur in this fashion. Necessary assistance was given by the local police to prevent untoward incidents. The samething happened in the case of the mail train from Hubli. It is learnt that a number of students got up at Harihar Railway

This morning the mail train from Bangalore came 2 hours late. A large number of students had got in at the intermediate stations and there was a good deal of confusion. The local police rendered assistance to the upper class passengers and prevented them from being molested.

A procession with a black flag was taken out in the streets of Davangere this morning in connection with the death of Mr.Desai. It is learnt that a public meeting is arranged by the students in this connection. The situation is otherwise peaceful

In this connection I beg to state that 1 Sub Inspector and 12 Police Constables have been posted in the Railway jurisdiction, to prevent untoward incidents. The rest are being utilised for guarding the Post Office, Munsiff Court, Magistrate's Court, Electric-Power Station and Taluk Treasury. The P.R.P. detachment is being kept ready for action in cases of emergencies. Necessary patrol has also been arranged with the available staff. The meetings, processions and the incoming railway trams are attracting very huge crowds and in case developments occur at difference places in the town, the force available is inadequate in my opinion to cope with the situation.

I beg to mention that the jurisdiction Police of C & M Station at the Railway Station consists of ~~E~~ one Head Constable and 3 Police Constables. This tiny force is absolutely unable to deal with the situation and in view of the condition in the town proper it is found impossible to withdraw the afore mentioned points and utilise them for duty inside the Railway premises all the 24 hours. In this connection, I wish to submit that the trains are being stopped by students at unspecified places along the Railway line and the train itself contains a large number of such students before it steams into the station. The upper class carriages are being occupied by these persons. Hence in my opinion action to prevent the present state of things could only be effective by making proper arrangements at all the Railway stations, necessary arrangements for guarding the

the Railway line throughout and by having the necessary force in the train itself. I request that the Commissioner of Police, C & M Station, Bangalore Cant,, may be addressed immediately to make necessary Police arrangements till the trouble subsides in his jurisdiction.

SD/- K.S.Krishnamurthy.
District Superintendent of Police,
Chitaldrug District.
16.8.1942.

"C O P Y"

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

LAW ASSOCIATION, CHITALDROOG.

CHITALDROOG.
Dated 18th August 1942

Rec'd by post on 23/8/42

The Minister for Law,
Government of Mysore
Public Offices,
Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

I have great pleasure in forwarding to you a copy of the resolution passed in the meeting of the members of the Law Association, Chitaldrug, held on the 18th August 1942, for favourable consideration and needful action.

Thanking you,

I remain, Sir,
Yours obediently,

Hon: Secretary.

LAW ASSOCIATION, CHITALDROOG.

CHITALDROOG.
Dated 18th August 1942

"Since yesterday 17-8-1942 the Law Courts and Public Offices at Chitaldrug are being heavily picketted by the students and the general public. The situation has become grave if not menacing inspite of the best efforts of the authorities and the leaders of the public to stop it. As a result of this the normal working of the Courts has become practically impossible.

The Bar Association resolves that the Honourable High Court be pleased to close all the local courts for a week at least till the normal conditions are restored.

Resolved that the copies be sent to the following:-

1. Minister for Law, Government of Mysore
2. The High Court of Mysore,
3. The District and Sessions Judge, Camp Chitaldrug
4. The District Magistrate, Chitaldrug District,
5. The First Magistrate, Chitaldrug
6. The Second Magistrate, Chitaldrug
7. The Munsiff Chitaldrug
8. The Revenue Sub Division Officer, Chitaldrug.

Resolved that the copy of the ~~xxxxxxxxx~~ resolution be sent to the High Court by wire.

Sd/ B. Venkatasamanna
PRESIDENT
Law Association

"Copy"

Secretary

D.O. Gl.25
42-43

HIGH COURT
OF MYSORE,
BANGALORE.

19th August 1942.

Dear Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith copy of telegram from the President of the Bar Association, Chitaldroog, received here at 4-30 P.M. and to request that necessary action may kindly be taken in the matter. Copies of the telegram have been sent also to the District Magte. Chitaldrug and I.G. of Police

Yours sincerely,

N Samasivayya

To Mahadeo Mukk

G.M. Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to the
Government of Mysore,
Bangalore

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Telegram dated 18 August 1942 from Venkatashamappa, President, Chitaldrug, to the Registrar, High Court.

Date - 18
Hour - 15
Minute - 30

Received here at 15 H. 55 M.

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Venkatashamappa,
President.

a-ul-Mulk

No. 4581/CB

20th August 2

I am desired to acknowledge the receipt of your D.O.letter No:Gl.25/42-43 dated the 19th August 1942 forwarding a copy of telegram received from the President of the Bar Association, Chitaldrug, in the matter of closing all the local Courts there for one week till ~~the~~ normal conditions are restored and to state that Government regret it is not possible to close the Courts.

N. Samaiengar, Esq., B.A.,LL.B.,
Registrar, High Court of Mysore,
Bangalore.

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D. O. 25/42-43

HIGH COURT
OF MYSORE,
BANGALORE.

21 August 1942.

Dear Sir,

In continuation of my D.O. No.25/42-43, dated 19-8-1942, forwarding a copy of the telegram received from the President of the Bar Association at Chitaldrug and with reference to your D.O. No.958/C.B., dated 20 August 1942, I am desired to state that in forwarding the copy of the telegram it was not the intention of the High Court that the Courts should be closed and that on the other hand the intention of the High Court was that necessary action may be taken to avoid any necessity to close the Courts. While this intention was made clear in the letter sent from the High Court simultaneously to the District Magistrate of Chitaldrug, it is regretted that there was a mistake in the office in not adding the words expressing that intention in my letter of 19 August 1942 addressed to you.

Yours sincerely,
N. Ramaiengar
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To

Mothamad-ul-Mulk
Mr. M. G. Mehkri, B.A.,LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government,
BANGALORE.

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Spare copies of the reports dated 18th&19th August 1942 are sent herewith as ~~it was~~ doubtful re: their receipt at Bangalore for want of railway communications. The reports were despatched from Harihar so as to reach Bangalore via Hubli & Guntakal.

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

No.JI.P.R.9/42-43
Encls:

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,
Camp. Davangere, dated, 18th August 1942.

From

K.P.Mallappa, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District,
Camp. Davangere.

To

Mohamed-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that at 3 A.M., on 17.8.1942 I received information from the Treasury Assistant Commissioner, and the Police Inspector, Chitaldrug, who arrived in a car at - Davangere that the students and others at Chitaldrug had resolved to rush into the Law Courts, Treasury and other offices and commit acts of violence at 10 A.M., and that my presence was necessary. The situation at Davangere being calm for the time being except students stopping the train and travelling without tickets, I left with the District Superintendent of Police yesterday at 7.30 A.M., for Chitaldrug. The students and others who went in procession gathered near the District Office and wanted to enter into the District Office to hoist Congress Flag. This was not allowed, though they somehow managed to put congress flag on Taluk Office building which was got removed. They wanted the Law Courts and Offices to be closed. This was also not allowed. They dispersed after a warning and a advise by the Lawyers present there.

At about 1.30 P.M., the Sub Division Officer, Davangere phoned that when the Mail train arrived on the Station Platform, the Mysore Military who came in the Mail train, cleared platform of the Students and others, that the students ran away and were holding a meeting and that the situation was calm. Within half-an hour, he again phoned to me that the disorderly mob had suddenly-

were setting fire to the Railway bogies and station building. I immediately asked him to order lathi charge by the Reserve Police on the mob and if they still persisted in their act to have recourse to firing. I received information a few minutes later that the Police opened fire and that more force was necessary to quell the disturbance. I immediately directed the District Superintendent of Police to arrange for a bus to take more force. As information was received that the approach road to Davangere had been blocked by the mob, I could not proceed in my car without the police force to make way. As the bus was charcoal driven and could not move quickly due to some trouble, it took nearly four to five hours to reach Davangere. When I arrived at Davangere with the Police force at about 8 P.M., the situation was under control. There was no mob collected on the roads. The Revenue Sub Division Officer and the Special First Class Magistrate explained to me the circumstances necessitating the order for firing. Their reports and the report of the District Superintendent of Police are enclosed for perusal by Government.

It is seen from the report of the Police Inspector, Davangere Taluk attached as an enclosure to the report of the District Superintendent of Police that the cause for the mob to become infuriated was that some boys at Davangere who had travelled without tickets the previous night were badly handled by the Railway Military (i.e., Mysore Infantry under the charge of the Railway Inspector) and left at Bonavar Station. This information was given to the mob by one or two students who had managed to return. After the train left for Harihar with the Railway Military, the mob got infuriated at the ill-treatment given by them to the students at Bonavar and suddenly rushed to the Railway Station and caused damage to the Railway line and looted and set fire to the Railway Station and bogies standing on the platform.

Immediately the situation was found to get out of control, the Sub Division Officer and Ex-Officio First Class Magistrate phoned for the Railway Military which was at Harihar. As the mob had set fire to the Railway Bridge close to

Davangere Station and removed the lines on Harihar side, the Railway Military i.e., Mysore Infantry men came in a bus from Harihar but finding an obstruction on the way close to the -- toll-gate due to a tree having been cut and thrown across the road by the mob, the Military could not come in touch with the Reserve Police in front of the Taluk Office. They fired at the mob independently on the road near the bridge which was burning. The mob rushed towards the Taluk Office from the several directions. The Assistant Superintendent of Police and the Police - Inspector picketed the Reserve Police at the proper positions and when the mob was declared an unlawful assembly ~~kyxkhexmob~~ and the situation being acute due to the pelting of stones by the mob, the Special First Class Magistrate who was the senior Magistrate on the spot ordered the police to open fire. After the discharge of three bullets, 'cease fire' order is stated to have been given as the mob dispersed.

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The Inspector-General of Police with 24 reserve men and 30 military men from Mysore have arrived here. Proper petrolling of the town is arranged. No untoward incident has - happened today so far.

Cases will be registered for the offences com-itted yesterday and the concerned persons will be got arrested and further action taken.

Order Under section 56(1) of the Defence of India Rules as applied to Mysore has been promulgated prohibiting the processions and meetings in Davangere Town without license from the jurisdiction

jurisdiction Magistrate.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
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No.Jl.P.R.9/42-43

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,
Camp.Davangere,dated,19th Aug.1942.

From

R. P.Mallappa,Esq.,B. A., L L.B.,
Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District,
Camp.Davangere.

To

Mothamed-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri,Esq..B.A.,LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir.

In continuation of my letter No.Jl.P.R.9/42-43 dated the 18th August 1942, I have the honour to state that the situation today is quiet but not normal. Town patrol by the Military and the Police has been arranged. The shops are being opened and the merchants were advised to carry on business as usual. Tense feeling appears to be slowly subsiding.

Three persons out of the injured have since passed away in the Hospital.

The Inspector-General of Police and myself saw the injured persons in the hospital this morning.

The situation at Davangere is being watched.

A party of Mysore Infantry visited Tholahunse and Mayakonda Railways Stations. Some portion of the Railway line was removed between Mayakonda and Kodaganur. Mayakonda station is not burnt.

Telephone wires cut between Chitaldrug and Davangere are reported

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of shops by students.

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Sir,
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Order under section 30(1) of the Defence of India Rules as applied to Mysore has been promulgated prohibing the processions and meetings in Davangere Town without a license from the jurisdiction

jurisdiction Magistrate.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

submitted to the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District.

In continuation of my S.S. report dated 16-8-42. I beg to state that in the early hours of 17-8-42 at about 3 a.m. the Treasury Assistant Commissioner, Chitaldrug, with the Police Inspector, Chitaldrug, came to Davanagere in haste with the alarming news that the students and rowdies at Chitaldrug have decided to enter the District Offices at Chitaldrug and take possession of the Treasury etc. Hence it was decided to watch the situation at Davanagere till 7 a.m. and to proceed to Chitaldrug. The Deputy Commissioner and myself reached Chitaldrug at about 9 a.m. The situation at Davanagere was peaceful then. A mob consisting of students and others were near the High School compound of Chitaldrug. A Police cordon was immediately thrown round the District Offices. The Reserve Police detachment was kept in the Treasury premises for action in case of necessity. Meanwhile a big mob came from High School side and suddenly entered the Amildar's Office and managed to put the Congress flag on the building. The Deputy Commissioner, myself and the local officers with police help proceeded to the spot and ejected the mob from the building. The flag was got removed. The mob then proceeded to District Office and tried to enter. The Police cordon round the premises prevented this and the crowd was kept at a distance. The non-student element was driven out. Meanwhile Mr. Shimappa Naik came to the spot and advised the students to disperse which they did after some time at about 12-30 p.m. The cordon was continued on a smaller scale.

Information was received by phone from Davanagere at about 1-30 p.m. that a huge crowd had entered the Railway premises at Davanagere and were committing acts of incendiarism. Immediately after receipt of this information arrangements were made to engage a bus for taking the Provincial Reserve Police Detachment to render the necessary help. No petrol/bus was available and the

the service bus fitted with the gas plant was the only vehicle available. A Detachment consisting of 13 men and the Subedar was taken to Davangere. It was about 8 P.M. when we could reach the spot and take control. The Railway Station was looted and burnt, five bogie carriages and a brake was burnt and extensive damage caused to the permanent way. The ~~Railway~~ Military ~~Police~~ had opened fire and the local Police had rendered necessary co-operation. The Local Officers had also opened fire. Three deaths have been caused by military and Police firing and 10 persons injured. The injured have been undergoing treatment in the local hospital. The dead bodies had been removed by the crowd giving the local officers no opportunity to hold inquests. Throughout the night I was engaged in patrolling the area and I found that the trouble has not satisfactorily subsided and there is every likelihood of trouble breaking out again. Information was received the Military from Mysore is on its way to Davangere. Information is also received that the Inspect General of Police is visiting the spot with additional police help. The communications have been cut off and there is no telegraphic connection also. The report of the Police Inspector Davangere is enclosed herewith.

Sd/- K.S. Krishnamurthy
DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.
Camp Davangere.

" Copy "
Deputy Commissioner
Bz. Chitaldrug District

SUBMITTED:-

While submitting the special report of the Police Inspector, Davangere Taluk, I beg to state that as per instructions of the Deputy Commissioner and the District Superintendent of Police, immediately on their departure to Chitaldrug in the morning, I came to the Taluk Office with the Sub-Division Officer and the Special First Class Magistrate. I was in close touch with the situation through the ~~Sub-Division~~ ~~Office~~ Special Branch Police Constables till the arrival of the Mail train at 11-15 A.M.

The Mob collected at the Railway Station began to commit mischief in the Railway area inspite of the advice of the Police Inspectors, myself, Sub-Division Officer and First Class Magistrate. ~~Then~~ I had no other alternative but to direct the Reserve and the local Police to make lathi charges which made the crowd to disperse but by that time the Railway Station building had been set fire to. The mob at the clock-tower squar was violent throwing missiles and stones etc., and I, immediately taking charge of this section of the Reserve, ordered lathi charge and as the situation became more and more critical, at the direction of the Special I Class Magistrate, fire ~~also~~ was opened since any amount of dissuation and warning were ineffectual 3 shots were fired.

Some time later thousands of people taking a corpse in procession wanted to pass through clock-tower square and the crowd began to jeer at the police using slang terms. Then they were warned and the crowd moved on in procession through Thambakpe The situation was brought under control by 7 P.M. x

At about 7-45 P.M. information was received that the mob is going to set fire to the P.R.P. Office and Lines, 5 P.R.P. Police Constables were immediately withdrawn and were despatched to the Reserve Lines to protect the buildings and also the families residing in the lines. ~~At about 8 P.M.~~ By then the District Magistrate and the District Superintendent of Police, arrived

arrived with P.R.P.Force and the situation was a bit relaxed. There was nothing unusual in the night.

ASP Altmayajiah
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE,
DAVANGERE.
17- 8- 42

"Copy"
Deputy Commissioner
Chitaldrug Dist

S.B.Report of Davangere for 17-8-1942.

SUBMITTED.

Beg to state I went to the Railway Platform with the Special Duty Inspector Mr.K.Narasimhamurthi of Jagalur and 10 Police Constables keeping in readiness all the Reserve Police and the available local Police in the Town Police Station and in the Taluk Office as per instructions of the Assistant Superintendent of Police. From the Morning itself the station platform premises were kept clear, only allowing persons into the Railway Platform who had purchased tickets. Then about 20 students (Congress Volunteers) marched to the Railway Station and they were advised by me to keep off from the Railway Line and then they arranged themselves into two lines, one on each side and stood simply expecting the Mail train. At about 11 A.M. the goods train came and it was taken to the Second line for making room for the mail train. At about 11-15 A.M. the mail train i.e., 33 Up arrived. Then in that Mail Train 20 Military and five Railwa Police Constables incharge of Railway Police Inspector got down from a bogi and they marched into the platform and they made the students(Congress Volunteers)who had got into the train without tickets get down and all those studetns got down. The train left Davangere Railway Station afterwards with the Military. The Students (Congress Volunteers) dispersed and there was perfect order in the platform. All the people assembled dispersed quietly.

Then I left for Court since ~~the~~ a requisition was received by the Munsiff to send 20 Constables to guard the Court premises since a few congress volunteers had made their appearance in the Court Premises to picket the Lawyers from attending the Courts. There were only half a dozen congress volunteers near the road-side awaiting the reply from Mr.N.Narasimhamurthi Rao, President of the Lawyer's Association.

After making ~~the~~ proper police arrangements there and after clearing them away from the Court premises altogether I returned to the Town Station. While I was returning to the Town Police Station from Court ~~xxxxxxx~~ information was received from

the train described to the mob how the students (Congress Volunteers) were made to get down at Banavar. how they were illtreated and how the Military and Railway Police snatched away the Gandhi caps and trreed upon them and further added that about 150 students of Davangere who were returnang from Bangalore were stranded near Banavar Railway Station without food etc. and on hearing such information the people of Davangere Town and Students were very much enraged etc. I immediately conveyed the above information to the Sub-Division Officer and the Assistant Superintendent of Police and also acquainted them with the repurcussions that would take place on the return of the Mail Train with the Military in the night.

Subsequently, about half an hour later information was received by S.B.Police Constable Syed Budan that a number of students have gathered at Gandhi Maidan and they are talking of damaging the passenger carriages that night etc. Hardly few minutes later I observed students coming in numbers and damaging the Railways wires and the signalling posts and about to go to attack the goods train that was stopping there in front of the Railway Station. I immediately rushed up into the Railway Station platform and advised the students not to damage the goods carriages and persuaded them to desist from damaging the Railway Carriages and took the students mob with me as far as signal post of the Harihar Side. Some boys were arguing with me and some merchants were pelting stones and some of the volunteers as per my advise asked the boys to stop comitting such damages and at this juncture some six Reserve Constables of Davangere who had been relieved to take their meals were returning and at their sight the students jeered at them but I asked the Reserve Constables simply to go away to the Police Station since the students showed signs of retiring. But it so happened that some one student pelted a stone with the result that the turban of the Reserve Constable fell down. The Reserve Police Constable was hit with another stone. The P.R.P.Police Constable was injured in the forehead. The crowd immediately wanted to wreak vengence upon the Reserve Constable by pursuing him. But from

advised them to withdrew. By then the Assistant Superintendent of Police, Sub-Division Officer and Special First Class Magistrate also came and advised the crowd to ~~disburse~~ disperse. All round the Taluk Office premises, people who had collected dispersed and then some of the students who had left towards the Railway Station premises, after a second thought, began to play mischief by cutting wires and setting fire to the passenger carriages. Immediately afterwards two Detachments were taken and there was lathi charge on the crowd. All round the Taluk Office premises the reserve and the local Police were posted to prevent the crowd from attacking the Police Station and they were all posted in vantage positions under the Sub-Divisionxx Officer, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Special First Class Magistrate and the Special Duty Inspector. Meanwhile on the reserve police rushing in and doing lathi charge, the crowd that had set fire to the Passenger carriages and to the Railway Station dispersed. But some of the crowd that had dispersed towards Harihar side were seen setting fire to the newly constructed Railway under-bridge. Meanwhile shots were heard and it was learnt that the Railway Inspector with his Military people fired the shots on the infuriated mob that were attacking them with missiles and stones etc. and the reserve police people who were stationed in front of the Taluk Office dispersed the crowd and the Reserve Police who were in charge of the Assistant Superintendent of Police and who were facing the Chock tower square and Thambakpet were attacked by the mob with stones. Then lathi charge was made and fire also had to be opened and then the people dispersed xxx in bye-lanes. Then information was received that a corpse is being brought from barr-line roadside and people are coming in numbers to take it in front of the Town Police Station. I immediately went to the spot and made the mob to take away the corpse at the back lane and they were definitely told that they would not be allowed to proceed in barline road in front of the Station. Then the crowd dispersed taking the corpse towards vokkaligarpet.

Later it was learnt that the Railway Military after opening the fire withdrew towards Harihar etc.

coming in Mandipet taking in procession a corpse on a motor tyred cart shouting Gandhi Ki Jai, and Shame to the Police etc. The procession passed through Mandipet and went via clock-tower ~~xxxx~~ square, and Tambakpet and went away

At about 7-30 P.M. intimation was received from the Assistant Surgeon of Davangere Hospital that 10 persons are admitted into the Hospital for gun-shot injuries etc and that the state of one injured person is precarious etc.

Phone messages had been sent by the Assistant Superintendent of Police and the Sub-Division Officer for Chitaldrug Reserve.

Meanwhile information was received that the Reserve Police Office would be set fire and protection is needed etc. ~~Three~~ Two Reserve Police ~~Police~~ Constables were sent there to protect the buildings. At that hour the District Magistrate and the District Superintendent of Police came with Chitaldrug Reserve and took charge of the situation. Then situation became normal.

Throughout the night the whole Taluk Office premises and the Railway Station premises and th T.B.Premises were patrolled by the Police.

One Civil Police P.C. Durgappa was ~~proceed~~ pelted by the Mob and he is also injured. The casualities that have occurred are mostly due to the opening of the fire by the Railway Military at the mob that attacked them with stones and missiles etc.

R. Manjunath

INSPECTOR OF POLICE
DAVANGERE TALUK.

17/8.

"Copy"

Deputy Commissioner
Chitaldrug District

Mr.D.K.Srinivasachar,B.Sc.,(Hons.)
Special First Class Magistrate,

Davangere,
Dated, 17th August 1942.

Dear Sir,

At about 12.45 p.m., today while I was in my court, I was sent for by the Assistant Superintendent of Police from the Taluk Office, on the ground that a large number of people gathered in various groups had collected near the Taluk Office and the Railway station limits and were doing damage to Railway property such as the signal booths, permanent way, and the railway fencing. I proceeded to the spot at once and found the Ex-officio First Class Magistrate and the Assistant Superintendent of Police in charge of the situation. Crowds had gathered within and without the railway premises and some of them armed with crowbars and other instruments, were trying to - remove part of the permanent way while others were pulling out the Railway fencing. A large section of the crowed consisting of - about 1000 also advanced towards the Taluk Office premises where - we were standing and began to move in an ~~app~~ aggresive and defiant mood. The Police Inspector Mr.Mariswamy had gone ahead in order to pacify the crowd and prevent them from proceeding towards the Taluk Office. They nevertheless advanced further and came well within the Taluk Office area. Myself, the Ex-Officio First Class Magistrate and the Assistant Superintendent of Police, together with the Police Inspector once again spoke to the crowd. The assembly was in a defiant mood and several of the members were showing their fists. I happened also to receive a stone-hit on my left arm. However, after great persuasion and with difficultu. the crowd was made to disperse. Immediately after this, a portion of the same crowd, far from dispersing proceeded towards the Railway Station limits and began to set fire to the III Class passenger bogies that were standing on the line opposite the station building. The station building also was set fireto and after this the crowd trickled once again towards

By this time, the local police constables had been posted in various places in front of the Taluk Office with lathies in order to secure the latter, and the reserve police force available was also got ready. There were crowds gathered in front of the Taluk Office both towards the Railway Station side and towards the Mandipet and clock-tower sides. Several of the crowd began to shout and threaten the burning of the Government buildings and a preliminary request to the crowds to dispers was in vain. The advance continued and the crowd began to grow more and more restive and defiant. In view of the danger to the public buildings threatened, the likelihood of the breach of the peace and the danger to the police force and other men in the Taluk office premises, the crowd was commanded to disperse lest force should be used. The command was not obeyed. The reserve Police force and the local police armed with lathies were then directed to have recourse to mild lathi charge on the assembly after declaring the same unlawful and the crowd gradually began to disperse. Those of the assembly standing towards the Railway station side receded towards Mandipet and the others towards the clock-tower. The Police force available was then divided into three batches and one of them posted to guard the entrance to the Taluk Office, another to prevent the crowd going in the direction of the clock tower from coming back and a third in the Town station. I kept myself in charge of the first section. It was about 1.30 P.M., by now, and while the crowds in other directions melted away, that towards the clock tower began to grow more and more defiant and began to throw hundreds of missiles such as stones, brickbats and old shoes towards the reserve police force and us. The gathering was once again commanded to disperse as it had become an unlawful assembly, but it failed to budge. The order for firing was then given and three of the reserve police force fired one after another. The crowd at once showed a tendency to disperse and the firing was immediately ordered to be stopped. The crowd gradually thinned

also had got under control by that time and gradually began to withdraw.

While the crowds were being controlled in these places, were shots/heard from the railway under-bridge side and they were later learnt to be those from the Railway military arrived from Harihar as the mob that had collected near the railway. It was at this time that the crowd towards the clock-tower square also dispersed. Towards 5 P.M., there was a procession of a deadbody (stated to be that of a person dead on account of the firing of the Railway Military) on a bullock cart was brought from Mandipet side and passed on towards Thambakpet. It went ~~xxx~~ on ~~x~~ comparatively peaceful and was allowed to pass. The situation has since then been quiet and under control. With the arrival of the District Magistrate on the spot at about 7.30 or 8 P.M., the control of the situation was taken ~~xkax~~ on hand by him.

Yours sincerely,
SD/- D.K.Srinivasachar.

To

R.P.Mallappa,Esq.,B.A.,LL.B.,
District Magistrate,
Chitaldrug District.

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Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

Office of the Ex-officio First class
Magistrate, Davanagere 17th August 42

From,

The Sub Division officer,
& Ex-officio First Class Magistrate.
Davanagere.

To,

The District Magistrate,
Chitaldroog District,
Chitaldroog

Sir,

I have the honour to state that after you and the District Superintendent of police, left for Chitaldroog, the goods train with a few passenger compartments arrived at Davanagere at about 11 A.M. and it was standing in the second line in the platform. The mail train due at 6 P.M. arrived at 11.15 A.M. In the mail-train. the Railway Inspector, infantry military men and police numbering 25 were travelling. As soon as the train arrived the crowd in the platform was disappointed to see that none of the Hundreds of boys that had left for other places on the Bangalore side returned. It is stated that three of the student passengers who had managed to return, told the local crowd that the boys were all cleared in a way side station from the compartments and rudely handled. This information seems to have enraged the crowd which immediately returned to the High school grounds to hold a consultative meeting. However when the mail train arrived and left Davanagere there was no incident as the military men moved/round the carriage and got all the ticketless passengers out.

The crowd which had by now contained the worst hooligan elements of the town returned from their meeting within an hour, and straight away rushed to damage the Railway properties such as signal booths, telegraph wires etc. The crowd was very excited and was gradually becoming more and more unruly. Myself, the First class Magistrate. the Assistant Superintendent of police,

them and control, but it was futile. The hysterical mood of the crowd rapidly grew more and more riotous. One section of the crowd began setting fire to the Railway underbridges, passenger bogies and the Railway station itself. The crowd rushed into the Railway station, threw out the records, looted the loose cash and set fire to the station.

Soonafter the gathering became riotous, it was declared unlawful by the First class Magistrate and a final warning was given to the crowd by me and the special First class Magistrate, that if they did not disperse within five minutes, lathi charge order and firing order would be given. The warning was jeered at by the crowd which now became most riotous. They openely shouted that they would set fire to all Government property including taluk treasury, taluk office and police station, which were with -in hundred yardsfrom the burning Railway station. Further the mob showed the tendency of advance towards the Reserve force stationed in the taluk office yard. Meanwhile, I informed the District Magistrate.at Chitaldroog of the situation by phone and sought his instructions. He instructed that if the mob was riotous, lathi charge may be made and if it proved ineffective to open fire.

Immediately, after these instructions, lathi charge orders were given to clear the mob. The crowd was so unruly and riotous that instead of dispersing at the lathicharge, they tried to advance and over power the police force. They began pelting brickbats and missiles from several directions. Then opening of the fire became absolutely imperative both in self defence and in the interest of restoring order and safegaurding Government property specially the taluk treasury. Once again a warning was communicated both by me and the special First class Magistrate. Once again it was of no avail. Then firing was ordered by the First class Magistrate. As the crowd showed signs of retreat, firing was ordered to be stopped by issuing the order ' Cease Fire'. Within about five minutes from the

staying at Harihar had arrived at the vicinity of the Railway bridge receiving information about the indiscriminate arson and looting of the Railway properties. The fire opened by them was heard by us. After about half an hour, it is stated the military withdrew to Harihar.

The crowd by this time had temporarily dispersed only to return back, in greater numbers and in a more threatening attitude. The force at our command had by them been arranged as to form three important pickets in the three important roads leading to the taluk treasury, taluk office, police office, Railway goodshed and Railway station. I remained incharge of the picket stationed in the road in front of the police station. Mr.Sreenivasachar and the Assistant superintendent of police were incharge of the other two pickets at the taluk office square.

Phone messages of the tense situation were promptly sent to the Chief Secretary, Inspector General of police, District Magistrate and the District Superintendent of police. Additional force with a police van was also requisioned to continue to keep the situation under control and to safegaurd the Government property. At about 5 P.M., a phone message was received from the Law Minister stating that military from Mysore had been despatched by a special train. While acknowledging the message, the Law Minister was informed that Railway communications have been tampered with by the mob and that the forces may be sent by road The District Magistrate was however being informed of the situation on his way to Davanagere at Vijapur, Bharamasagara and Anagod.

In the evening at about 4 P.M. an infuriated mob of couple of thousands carrying a corpse in a cart wanted to pass right across our pickets. The crowd was ostensibly trying to take cover behind the bullock cart to overpower the force. It is stated that the casuality was in Railway premises on Account of the Railway military firing. The crowd wanted to take the corpse right across us in a procession. Then again the crowd was warned and this time at the sight of the

force, they dispersed into the adjoining lanes. Later on in the evening at about 6 P.M. a big crowd formed themselves into a procession and carried the corpse in a rubber tyred bullock cart hoisted with congress flag. They were not allowed to approach any of the public buildings or the force stationed. At about 8 P.M. the District Magistrate and the District Superintendent of Police arrived with additional provincial Reserve police of 15 men and took control of the situation.

I have the honour to be,

Sir.

Your most obedient servant,

sd/-B.Beerappa
Sub Division officer,&
Ex-officio First class
Magistrate, Davanagere.

" Copy"

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District

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No.Jl.P.R.9/42-43

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,
Camp. Davangere, dated, 22nd Aug.1942

From

R.P.Mallappa, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug.

To

Mothamed-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

Subject: Civil disturbance at Davangere.

In continuation of my letter No.Jl.P.R.9/42-43 dated the 20th August 1942, I have the honour to state that the Inspector-General of Police and myself with the necessary Police Staff visited Kodaganur and Mayakonda Railway stations on the evening of 20th instant. It was learnt from Kodaganur station master that a mob consisting of students and others visited Kodaganur station on the evening of 19th instant at about 4 P.M., and set fire to all the station records and caused damage to the line clear machinery and cut the telegraph wires. The Station building is in tact. Information has been gathered as to the names of culprits and necessary action will be taken to get them - arrested and prosecuted for the several offences. There was no damage done in Mayakonda Railway Station building but the rails had been - removed and thrown down a bridge at several places and an attempt had been made to pull down one of the bridges. On enquiry it was learnt that many of the villagers of Mayakonda which is a congress centre and full of rowdies committed these acts on the morning of 18th inst., Necessary arrangements were made at Kodaganur and Mayakonda Railway Stations by posting Palace infantry men and also to have the culprits arrested early next morning.

Yesterday morning (21.8.1942) 21 persons concerned in the Railway damages were arrested at Mayakonda and remanded to District -

District Lock-up. The case registered under Rule 35(1)(b) of the Defence of India Rules as applied to Mysore is under investigation and will be given a transfer to the Bangalore cantonment Police as the trial is to take place in cantonment Magistrate's court in view of the offences having taken place in Railway limits.

The Inspector-General of Police and myself visited Sasalu and Chikjajur stations and also Chitaldrug town and made necessary police arrangements between Chitaldrug and Chikjajur railway stations. The railway line between these two stations is in tact. On returning to Davangere we met the Chief Commandant who had arrived here for enquiry in connection with the firing by the Mysore Infantry sent under the charge of the Railway Inspector at the Ediga on Harihar road on the 17th instant. It was learnt that the party had fired 49 rounds killing two and injuring 8 persons on the Harihar road on the day of disturbance. It was also disclosed by the Jamadar that the same party had fired 3 round at Banavar Railway Station on the 17th early morning where the two trains crossed each other and a number of young boys who had travelled without tickets were left behind. This fact was never disclosed to us by the Cantonment Police Inspector, Mr.Vaidyanathan who was in charge of the party of Mysore Infantry. This was brought to light in the course of enquiry by the Chief Commandant. There is no doubt that the firing at Banavar and the ill-treatment given to those who had travelled without tickets has been the immediate cause for the burning of Banavar Railway Station and also to infuriate the mob at Davangere who rushed suddenly to commit acts of incendiarism and cause damage to the permanent way.

Yesterday evening the break-down special arrived at Davangere and proceeded to Harihar. Mr.Carlestone, Collector and District Magistrate, Bangalore Cantonment also arrived with the Superintendent of Railways and C.I.D.

This morning the matter as to the arrangements to be made at the several stations for the safety of the railway property and travelling public was discussed and it was agreed to post available Mysore Palace Infantry men to guard the several railway stations in addition to the Railway Police on the main line between Harihar and Bangalore Arrange-

in this District under the charge of a Military Officer who will stay at Arsikere and act under the orders of the concerned Deputy Commissioners.

The situation at Davangere is peaceful. The shops are opened and the business is showing signs of normal condition, though false alarms of further disturbance are spread by some hooligans.

This morning 30 persons consisting of students and others concerned in Davangere disturbance were arrested and necessary - action will be taken against them after investigation.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

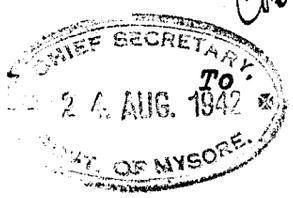
Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

No.Jl.P.R.9/42-43

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,
Camp.Davangere, dated, 19th Aug.1942.

From

R.P.Mallappa, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District,
Camp.Davangere.



To

Mohamed-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuaain Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No.Jl.P.R.9/42-43 dated 18th August 1942, I have the honour to state that the situation today is quiet but not normal. Town patrol bu the Militaru and the Police has been arranged. The shops are being opened and the merchants were advised to carry on business as usual. Tense feeling appears to be slowly subsiding.

Three persons out of the ten injured have since passed away in the Hospital.

The Inspector-General of Police and myself saw the injured persons in the hospital this morning.

The situation at Davangere is being watched.

A party of Mysore Infantry visited Tholahunse and Mayakonda Railway Stations. Some portion of the Railway line was removed between Mayakonda and Kodaganur. Mayakonda station is not burnt.

The Telephone wires cut between Chitaldrug and Davangere are repaired.

The situation at Chitaldrug is calm except for -

picketing of shops

d) shops by students.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

No. 1128/CB
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3rd September 2

Dear Sir,

I am desired to enclose for your disposal, a copy of the 5th issue of an unauthorised publication by name PRALAYA.

Yours sincerely,

R.P.Mallappa, Esq., B.A.,LL.B.,
District Magistrate, Chitaldrug.

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R. P. MALLAPPA, Esq., B.A., LLB.,
Deputy Commissioner.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

D. O.Jl.C.521/42-43

Dated Chitaldrug, ..1st..September...*194* 2.

Dear Sir,

I write to state that the situation at Davangere is calm and peaceful. The normal business is going on. The students are attending the schools.

This morning I received a telephone message that one student wanted to do Satyagraha in the house of the Head Master, Government High School at Davangere and asked him to resign the post. The student was taken away by the Police.

At Chitaldrug some of the students are daily going in procession and are picketting at the High School and Middle Schools. The Head Masters have complained that their solgans and entry into the school premises and compelling other students to come out has interfered with normal work of the schools. I am requesting the leaders of Chitaldrug Town to advise the students properly. If they are not amenable to reason and advice and commit mischief, arrangements will be made to have them arrested and detained under Defence of India Rules. Some of the Congress workers who are suspected to instigate the students will also be rounded up.

It has been reported that in Siddapur limits about 3 miles from Chitaldrug two or three fish bolts on Chitaldrug-Chikjajur railway line had been tampered with on 30th August 1942 and there was sawing of sleepers by hoc-saw. Arrangements are made

made for watching the railway line.

Yours sincerely,

Mercaccallee.

To

Mothamed-ul-Mulk,
M.G.Mehkri,Esq.,B.A.,LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government,
Bangalore.

No 1180/CB

4th September

Dear Sir,

With reference to your D.O. letter No.J1.C.521 dated the 1st September 1942 stating among other things that in Siddapur limits two or three fish bolts on Chitaldrug-Chikjajur railway line had been tampered with on the 31st August 1942 and that there was evidence of sawing of sleepers, I am desired to state that efforts should be made to trace the culprits and prosecute them under the Defence of India Act and Rule 35 of the Defence of India Rules

Yours sincerely.

Chief Secretary.

H. P. Mallappa, Esqr., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District.

D. O. No. S.B. 75/42-43. Emn.(2)

BANGALORE
3rd Septr. 42

M. SESHADRI, Esq., M.A.,
[redacted]
Inspector-General of Police
in Mysore.

Dear Mr.Mehkri,

I am sending herewith two lists showing the names of persons who were killed or injured as a result of the opening of fire by the Military and the Police on the 17th August 1942 at Davanagere.

2. The firing by the Military resulted in 9 casualties of which 2 died on the spot and the remaining were admitted to the Hospital for injuries. Of these one patient died in the Hospital.

3. The Police caused three casualties, of which one died on the spot and the remaining two others were admitted to the Hospital. These two died subsequently in the Hospital.

Yours sincerely,

M Seshadri

Mothamed-ul-Mulk
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri,Esq.,
B.A.,LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government,
Bangalore.

List showing the names of persons who were killed or injured as a result of the opening of fire by the Military on the 17th August 1942 at Davanagere.

	Name	Age	Caste.	Address	Locality where the person died	Remarks.	Injuries
1.	Nagappa Ningappa	14 yrs.	Lingayet	S/o Sangappa, Hadadi, Cooly Colony, Davanagere.	Harihar Road.	Died on the spot.	
2.	Nagappa	20		S/o Malukappa, Kaipet, Davanagere.	" "	" " " "	
3.	Virupakshappa.	25 "	Goldsmith	C/o Harvagalu Nagendrappa, Kalamma's Temple Street, Davanagere.	Near Harihar Gate.	Died on 19.8.42 at 8.30 p.m.	1. A lacerated wound in the right illiac Fossae with prolapse of the small intestines. 2. A gaping wound over the right glueted region bleeding.

Injured

							Injuries
4.	Nagappa	25 "		C/o Mahanthappa, Hamali, Hadadi Mandi, Davanagere.	17.8.42 Near Taluk Office.	Inpatient.	Gaping punctured wound bleeding over the upper part of the abdomen. Abdominal wall No.FB. detected.
5.	Uttangi Nagappa	24 "		C/o Uttangi Kotturappa, Tailor, Mandipet, Davanagere.	Near Taluk Office.		Fracture of the middle part upper and anterior part of the left side of the chest. A punctured wound on the back over the supra scapular Fossae No.FB. detected. In patient
6.	Kallappa	18 "		C/o Murigappa, Sultanipura, Anagodu Hobli	" Harihar gate		Wound in the middle of the right leg upper 1/3 fracturing the bones both No.FB. detected. In patient.

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7.	Kare Sivappala Siddappa	40 yrs.	C/o Self. Davanagere.	Near Harihar Gate	A punctured gaping wound bleeding over the outer aspect on the right arm FB. Seen/removed on 24.8.42.	Inpa
8.	Gurushantappa	14 "	C/o Muniappa, Andanur, Davanagere.		1. a lacerated wound on the back in the region of the left posterior auxillery fold. 2. A gaping wound over the upper part of the left arm in its outer aspect No.FB.	
9.	Channabasappa	45 "	C/o Self, Dallali, Kaipet, Davanagere.		1. A punctured wound over the anterior aspect of the left side of the chest on its upper part No.FB.detected. 2. A punctured wound over the right side of the back.	

J D L Seshadri
Inspector-General of Police.

List showing the names of persons who were killed or injured as a result of the opening of fire by the Police on the 17th August 1942. at Davanagere

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Name	Age	Caste	Address	Locality where the person died.	Remarks.
Thimmappa	35 yrs.	Gollar	S/o Pakeerappa Narayanappa, Gadag.	Bhrammappanagalli.	Died on the spot.
Lingappa	20 "		C/o Hanumanthappa, Retd. Daffedar, Near Siviah's Gin, Davanagere.		Died on 18.8.42 at 7 a.m. Injury: Penetrating wound of the abdomen in the left iteac forsa.
Neelajji Hanumappa.	45 "		C/o Self. Maganahalli Kasba Hobli, Davanagere.	Near Taluk Office.	Died on 19.8.42 at 4 p.m. Injury: a contusion with a gaping wound in centre on the left parotid, bleeding from ears and nose.
Basappa	42 "		c/o Ranibennur Sangappa, Khanvali, Davanagere.	Near Taluk Office.	Injury: A lacerated irregular wound over the left forehead. Lathi charge inpatient.

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Inspector-General of Police.

M.1504/CB

15th Septr 2

Dear Sir,

I confirm the marginally noted telephone message I sent to you this day regarding the programme of Rajamantra-pravina A.V.Ramanathan, Minister for Law. I am desired to request you kindly to meet him at Arsikere at about 12.30 P.M., on Thursday the 17th September 1942 at the Railway Station ~~as he is~~ on his way to Bhadravati by the Poona Passenger.

THE LAW MINISTER LEAVING BANGALORE
TO BHADRAVATHI 17TH THURSDAY MORN-
ING BY PASSENGER TRAIN. PLEASE
MEET HIM AT ARSIKERE

Yours sincerely

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R.P.Mallappa, Esq., B.A.,LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug.

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No. 1519/CB

16th Septr., 2

Dear Sir,

I confirm the marginally noted telephone message sent to you regarding your meeting the Law Minister at Bhadravathi.

LAW MINISTER IS LEAVING BHADRAVATHI
ON THE 18TH MORNING 5 A.M YOU
MAY MEET HIM ON THE 17TH AT 4 P.M.

Yours sincerely.

R. P. Mallappa, Esq., B.A.,LL.B.
P.A. to M Deputy Commissioner. Chitaldrug

Telephone message received at 4.10 P.M. on 16-9-1942 from the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District.

"Your telephone message received. Please reply if I can meet the Law Minister at Bhadravathi on 18th morning at 10 A.M. instead of Arsikere as Bhadravathi is nearer and the road to Arsikere is bad".

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Law Minister will be coming to Bhadravathi on the 18th morning & the
You may meet him on the 17th at 4 P.M.

Confidential.

R. P. MALLAPPA, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner.

D. O. Jl.C.521/42-43
Encls:-

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Dated Chitaldrug, 13th September 1942.

Dear Sir,

I write to state that the situation at Davangere is normal and the attendance of students in the schools is getting better and is highest so far in the whole State as stated by the Director of Public Instruction. Extra Police and Military will be kept as a measure of emergency till Ganesha procession at Davangere is over. Cases registered in connection with the disturbances are under several stages of investigation and charge sheets will be placed shortly before the proper courts.

At Chitaldrug picketing near the High School and Middle Schools continued last week and as complaints were received from the Head Masters of the institutions that the picketers had resorted to acts of violence by rushing into the class rooms and interfering with the normal work of the school, the Police were posted from the 7th instant near the schools to prevent picketing. Some of the ringleaders who prevented the students getting into the class rooms and some pleaders who instigated the students to continue the picketing were got arrested and detained in the District Lock up under Rule 26(1)(b) of the Defence of India Rules as applied to Mysore. Up till now 43 persons at Chitaldrug and 6 persons at Holalkere including students and non-students have been arrested and detained in the District Lock-up of whom some will be sent to the Central Jail at Bangalore. Picketing has practically stopped at Chitaldrug and the strength in the schools is increasing.

Some acts of violence such as breaking the toddy casks on the way and setting fire to toddy shop huts are reported in Chitaldrug and Hiriyur Taluks.

There were two cases of cutting of telegraph wires at Muddapura in Chitaldrug Taluk committed in the last week of August and at a spot about two miles from Challakere Town on Challakere-Hiriyur road committed this week. The cases are registered and action is taken to trace the culprits.

Except for the above acts of sabotage the situation is quiet in the District.

Yours sincerely

Mohamed-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., Ll.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Camp Jog,

20th September 2

My dear Mallappa,

I write to confirm the marginally noted telephone message which I sent from Camp Jog this morning to you.

"Refer to the telephone message of G.S., C.P.S., regarding loss of telephone conductor between Chitaldrug and Davangere. Please submit immediately proposals for punitive police in the area."

Yours sincerely,

R. P. Mallappa, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

R. P. MALLAPPA, Esq., B.A., LLB.,
Deputy Commissioner.

D. O. Jl. C. 521/42-43

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Dated Chitaldrug, 23rd Septr. 1942.

Dear Sir,

I have received your Telephone Message and the D.O. letter dated the 20th September 1942 confirming the same regarding the submission of proposals for punitive police in the area where there was loss of telephone conductor between Chitaldrug and Davangere,--On the 19th instant. I am sending the proposals to the Inspector-General of Police today.

Rcd. + sent to Pol. Br. 22. 9. 42.

As I want to personally consult you in respect of establishment of special court and other matters connected with the observation of 'Gandhi Jayanthi' at Davangere by local congressite on 2nd October 1942, I may be kindly permitted to meet you at Bangalore either tomorrow evening or day after tomorrow morning at any time convenient to you. If you have no objection, the Chief Secretary may be kindly asked to phone to me tomorrow to leave Head Quarters to meet you at Bangalore.

Yours sincerely,

To

Rajasevaprasakta,
A. V. Ramanathan, Esq., B.A.,
Minister for Law,
Bangalore.

Replied from Mysore
I have received your letter
You may see me at Bangalore
On Sunday evening or Monday
morning

Chief Sec'y
for
reply

The D.M. has written to say that he is meeting the Minister on Tuesday (17-9-41) morning

WJ
24.9. P.A. to D.M. for note & return

Noted & returned
FRN 26/9/41
Asst. Sec., C.O. (W.C.)

R. P. MALLAPPA, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner.

D. O. Jl.C.521/42-aa

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Dated Chitaldrug, ...25th..September*1942* .

Dear Sir,

I write to state that under instructions of the Minister for Law by telephone message from Mysore to meet him at Bangalore on Sunday evening or Monday morning, I am proceeding to Bangalore on Sunday morning (27.9.1942) to meet him in connection with certain matters about which I had written to him.

Yours sincerely,

To
Mothamed-ul.Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri,Esq.,B.A.,LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government,
Bangalore.

R. P. MALLAPPA, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner.

D. O. J.C.521/42—43
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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Dated Chitaldrug, ...24th...September 1942.

Dear Sir,

I enclose for favour of information of Government a copy of the report from the District Superintendent of Police in connection with political activities in this District during the week - ending 24th September 1942.

Yours Sincerely,

Mothamed-ul-Mulk
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
BANGALORE.

Political Activities in Chitaldrug District during the week ending 24th Septr.1942.

" A" POLITICAL.

Chitaldrug:

There was neither picketing of Schools nor Prabhat pheri during the week in Chitaldrug Town and the attendance in various schools is improving every day.

On 20.9.1942 at about 5.30 A.M., 8 spans of two copper wires measuring each a total length of 4300 ft. has been cut and stolen and 14 insulators were smashed to pieces near Kolhal - village 17 miles from Chitaldrug. On the same date between 8 and 10.30 A.M., 3½ spans of telephone copper wire has been cut, at the same place.

In connection with damage to telegraph poles and wires on 25.8.1942 one Basavaraju, a student of Government High School Chitaldrug was arrested under section 35 of the Defence of India Rules The case is under investigation.

Davangere

There was no picketing as well Prabhat pheri in Davangere Town during the week. The attendance in the Government High School was 297 on 22.9.42 for the total 557. The attendance in other schools has considerably improved.

In the meeting of the Davangere Town Congress Committee held on 15.9.1942 it is reported that there was divided opinion regarding the observation of Gandhi Jayanthi on 2.10.42 by taking out procession and holding meeting in violation of the prohibitory orders in force issued by the District Magistrate, Chitaldrug, under rule 56 of the Defence of India Rules. Messrs.Jade Krishna Rao, K.T.Jambanna R.D.Yellappa and G.Veerappa were against the violation of the prohibitory orders whereas the rest intend violating the same. Further developments are watched, for suitable action.

On 18.9.1942 at about 1.30 P.M., telephone copper wire measuring 1500 ft. in length (about 3½ spans) has been out near Mathi village between Bhadravati and Davangere. A case is registered and investigated.

On 20.9.1942 at mile 23/1 between Kodaganur and Mayakonda one side of rails joints fish_plates with bolts and nuts were missing and also removed.

Holalkere:

In connection with the arrest of Govinda Rao, Jagannatha Setty and four others on 17.9.1942 under rule 26(1)(b) of the Defence of India Rules at Holalkere, hartal was observed in Holalkere Town on 18.9.1942 when all the shops and hotels were closed and there was Prabhat pheri in the morning and meeting when speeches in the usual strain were delivered by Idahalli Rudrappa and three - others.

On 20th and 21st and 22nd there was Prabhat pheri in Arehalli Hatti and on 20th night there was a meeting in the said village when Obaiah, Boraiah and Ramaswami Naik delivered speeches exhorting the audience not to pay taxes, not to attend schools and to be united and self-sacrificing.

On 21.9.1942 people of Mathigatta and Ramenahalli damaged a toddy ~~xkxxxx~~ cask that was being taken to Horakeredevarapura. A case under section 143 and 427 I.P.C. in Cr.No.11/42-43 of Holalkere Kasaba has been registered and is being investigated.

On 23.9.1942 the people of the same village again damaged toddy cask. It is reported about 100 persons armed with axes and sickles had been taking part in committing the offence. Necessary Police party has been sent to put a stop to this - Hooliganism.

For a simmiar offence at Halehalli on 16.9.1942 a case in Cr.No.12/42-43 under section 142 and 426 IPC is registered and investigated.

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On 19.9.1942 at Kodalahalli, Bommagondankere and Uderu, Aswathappa and five others ~~xndxfixexxkhexx~~ tresspassed into the toddy shops and destroyed the tubs and jars containing toddy. At Uderu the toddy shop was set fire to. Three cases under Section 147, 448 and 426 IPC have been registered and is under investigation.

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Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

R. P. MALLAPPA, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner.

D. O. Jl.C.521/42-43
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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Dated Chitaldrug, 25th Septr. *194* 2.

Dear Sir,

I herein enclose for favour of information of Government a copy of the report received from the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug District, today in connection with the Political Activities in the several Taluks of this District.

Re: 'Gandhi Jayanthi' to be celebrated at Davangere on the 2nd October 1942, I shall take necessary action after meeting the Minister for Law at Bangalore on Sunday evening.

Re: the telephone wire cutting at Kolhal, necessary action has been taken to book the offenders and it is also proposed to station a party of punitive police in the village as instructed by the Minister for Law. The two cases referred to in the report of the District Superintendent of Police in which charge sheet has been placed were transferred to the court of the First Magistrate, Chitaldrug as the Special First Class Magistrate at Davangere has been cited as a witness in both the cases. It is very desirable that a Special Magistrate should be appointed to try all cases connected with the disturbances at Davangere. I shall send up my proposals after meeting the Minister for Law at Bangalore.

Yours sincerely,

To

Mothamed-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Moniyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

S.B.Letter No.124/42-43 dated the 25th September 1942 from the the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug District, to the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District, Chitaldrug.

In continuation of my previous S.B.reports regarding the political situation in the District, I have the honour to report as follows:-

1. Davangere:-

The situation continues to be normal. The attendance in schools is steadily on the increase. The local congress committee is reported to have resolved to celebrate Gandhi Jayanthi on 2.10.1942 by taking a procession of the photo of Mr.Gandhi and by holding a public meeting. The orders of the District Magistrate under Section 56 of the Defence of India Rules being in force prohibiting assemblages and processions till the 17th October, 1942, it is learnt that the Gandhi Jayanthi would be celebrated in the manner noted above, violating the orders of the District Magistrate. A special report has been submitted in the matter.

2. Holalkere:

It is reported that mischief of toddy casks was caused at Mathigatta, Ramenahalli and Halehalli villages on 21.9.1942 and 23.9.1942. The Inspector reported that a large number of persons participated in the mischievous activity and it was necessary to round up the ring-leaders. Hence a Special Police party was despatched from Chitaldrug and it is reported that eight of the ring-leaders were arrested for specific offences. Further arrests are proceeding The conditions in Holalkere Town appears to have returned to normal and the attendance of boys at the local school is steadily increasing.

3 Chitaldrug.

The conditions are peaceful There is no picketing or prabhat pheri. The attendance in schools is increasing.

Regarding the telephone wire cutting in Kolhal area, two cases have been registered and are being investigated. I hold

personal enquiries on the spot with the Taluk Amildar and instructed the patels of the surrounding villages in the matter of taking effective preventive action. Patrol parties have been constituted and the villagers have agreed to co-operate. Six bicycles have been hired for the use of the patrol Police constables in the affected area and I paid a surprise visit in the early hours of this day near Kolhal and I found the patrol party active. Three persons have been arrested for specific offences in this connection and investigation is proceeding.

A charge sheet was presented to the First Class Magistrate Chitaldrug yesterday in Cr.No.8/42-43 of Davangere station under section 143,148,149, 436 and rule 35(1)a.b.c. and Cl.4 of the Defence of India Rules against Amaranath and twenty-three others. The case was taken on the file of the Magistrate in C.C.47/42-43. As accused Vedamurthy and Banaji are absconding action under section 87 Cr.P.C. was sought for to secure them. The case was adjourned to 5.10.1942 for evidence and summons were issued for the appearance of ten prosecution witnesses for conducting the case day to day from 5th October 1942 to 6th Octr. 1942.

Messrs.A.Bhimappa Naik and A.Venkatachala Rao have taken brief for all the accused. Mr.S.Veerabasappa for Bellary Murigappa; O.Veerabasappa for M.B.Nagendrappa, Panchaksharappa, Bellary Venkata Setty and Ganigara Gangappa; and W.T.Hanumantha Rao for Rajappa and Agasara Yellappa.

Charge-sheet in Cr.No.9/42-43 of Davangere Town Station under Section 145, 147, 138, 149,353. 332 I.P.C. and Rule 35(1) (a) read with Cl.4 of the Defence of India Rules was also presented before the same Magistrate yesterday (24-9-42) against Amaranath and twenty others. Action under Section 87 Cr.P.C. was sought for to secure the accused Vedamurthy and Banaji who are absconding. As the prosecution could not prove the case against Lakshma and Mahadevappa mentioned in

set at liberty. The case was adjourned to 8-10-42 for evidence and summons were issued for the appearance of 8 prosecution witnesses.

Messrs. A. Bheemappa Naik and A. Venkatachala Rao appeared for all the accused.

Bellary Siddamma and four more ladies were present in the Court Hall to watch the proceedings. It is reported that as a result of a large number of persons interviewing the accused indiscriminately, the latter behaved improperly by shouting slogans while being escorted back to the District Lock-up.

Except for cases mischief to the toddy huts at Kondlahalli, Bommagondanakere and Uderu villages of Molakalmuru taluk, the situation in the District is otherwise peaceful.

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District Magistrate,
Chitaldrug Dist.

CONFIDENTIAL.
No.J1.C.521/42-43
Encl:One.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug, Dated, 2hd October 1942.

Dear Sir,

I enclose herein for favour of information of Government ~~of~~ a copy of report No.S.B.124/42-43 dated the 1st October 1942 received from the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug District, regarding the Political situation in this District.

Yours sincerely,

To

Mothamed-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq..B.A.,LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government Of Mysore,
BANGALORE.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

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OFFICE OF

the Superintendent of Police,
Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug.

No. S.B.124/42-43.
Encls.

Date October 1, 1942.

To

The Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug.

Sir,

In continuation of my previous S.B. reports regarding the political situation in this district, I have the honour to report as follows:-

1) Davangere: The situation continues to be normal. The attendance in the schools is steadily on the increase. It is reported that on the night of 28-9-42 a chalk-piece case burnt to ashes was found in a room of the D.E.A. School which is a private building. There was also a piece of cloth smelling kerosene and the table was also smelling kerosene. Enquiries are being made in this connection and necessary watch ~~was~~ has also been arranged.

The students of III Year "C" walked out of the class on the afternoon of 29-9-42 on the ground of improper treatment by the staff.

All ~~x~~ the said students are reported to have attended the school this day (30-9-42).

Rudrappa, Sivalingappa, Puttachar and Jayanna suspected to be students of Bhadravathi visited Davangere on 29-9-42. They are alleged to have come walking and they are said to be on tour. Their antecedents and movements are being verified. It is reported that they would return to Bhadravathi after Gandhi Jayanthi. Their movements are not suspicious so far.

attendance in schools is increasing. On 28-9-42 Doddanna Gowda, Rama Reddy, N. Thimma Reddy, Chandrasekharappa - all students of the Government High School, Chitaldrug, and Umakanta and Rajasekhariah - sons of Mr. S. Nijalingappa, about 12 and 10 years of age respectively attempted to picket at the Government Main Middle School. As Chandrasekharappa expressed regret, he was warned and sent. Similarly the two boys were sent away with a warning as Mr. Murugendrappa, clerk of Mr. S. Nijalingappa undertook that he would not allow the boys to participate in such activities. Action was taken against the remaining three students under Rule 26 (1) (b) of the Defence of India Rules, since they adopted an obstinate attitude.

3) Holalkere: There is no Prabhat pheri or picketing of schools at Holalkere. The attendance in the local school is increasing.

4) Challakere: It is reported that on the night of 28-9-42 about eight to ten persons had dislodged a telegraph post near the 119th mile stone on Hiriyur - Challakere Road, cut three telegraph wires and broken insulators. A case under Rule 35 (1) (b) of the Defence of India Rules in Cr. No.29/42-43 of Challakere Kasba has been registered and is being investigated.

In connection with Cr. Nos.22 23 & 24/42-43 of Challakere Kasba under Rule 35 (1) (b) of the Defence of India Rule - two persons were arrested and investigation is proceeding.

5) Hiriyur: Sadasivappa son of Sivarudrappa, a student of VI Form, Davangere High School, who is reported to have visited Rangenahalli in Abbinahole Range Station limits had picketed the toddy shop in Siddlayannakatte with two other boys Karibasappa and Adeppa on 26-9-42. On payment of Rs.2/- by the toddy vendor the picketing was stopped.

They then proceeded to Eswaragere the same day and picketed the toddy shop thereat.

On 27-9-42 they again visited Eswaragere and picketed the toddy shop. The parents of Karibasappa and Adeppa have advised the boys properly.

R. Yeganna against whom a warrant of arrest issued by the F.C.M. Chitaldrug, was pending for having picketed the Government Middle School at Maradihalli on 16-9-42 was prosecuted. He pleaded guilty and undertook to be of good behaviour. He was thereupon released under section 562 Cr.P.C. in CC.46/42-43 dated 29-8-42.

It is learnt that the students of Government High School, Davangere, have decided to strike work on 2-10-42 on account of Gandhi Jayanthi.

I have the honor to be.
Sir,
Your most obedient servant.

Sd.K.S. Krishnamurthi,

Superintendent of Police,
Chitaldrug District.

"C O P Y"

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

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R. P. MALLAPPA, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner.

D. O. Jl.C.521/42-43

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Dated Chitaldrug, 4th October 1942.

Dear Sir,

Adverting to your circular No.1670-90/C.B. dated the 28th September 1942, I write to state that meetings of Parents and Guardians in Government Service was held in all the Taluk Head Quarter Towns in the District and it was ascertained from them whether their children and wards are attending their schools and colleges. The Circular No.1043-1100/C.B. dated the 13th September 1942 issued by Government emphasising the responsibility of all Government servants for keeping their children and wards under their control was explained and that they were asked to set a good example to others by sending their children and wards regularly to attend the school and to advice them to keep away from the present objectionable activities like the picketing of schools etc. I presided at the meeting at Chitaldrug, the Sub Division Officer at Davangere and the Amildars in their respective Taluk Head Quarter Towns. The cases of Government servants who have been callous in the discharge of this responsibility will be reported to Government, if such cases come to my notice.

Yours sincerely,

R. P. Mallappa

To

Mothamed-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

C. F. No. 457

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R. P. MALLAPPA, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner.

D.O.Jl.C.521/42-43/Encl:One.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Dated Chitaldrug, 4th October 1942.

Dear Sir,

I write to enclose herein for favour of information of Government a copy of Report No.S.B.124/42-43 dated the 3rd October 1942 received from the District Superintendent of Police, Camp. Davangere, re: the situation at Davangere in connection with the celebration of 'Gandhi Jayanthi' on the 2nd October1942. It is seen therefrom that the celebration of 'Gandhi Jayanthi' appeared to be a mild function and that there was no excitement.

In this connection, I wish to state that the prohibitory order under rule 56(1) of the Defence of India Rules as applied to Mysore promulgated in Davangere Town on 17th August 1942 and which was in force till 17th Octr., 1942 was withdrawn, ~~xsxtkx~~ on 29th September 1942, as the situation at Davangere was reported to be peaceful and there was no need to continue any longer the said order in force in respect of the public processions, meetings and assemblies. The situation at Chitaldrug is also peaceful.

Yours sincerely,

To

Mohamed-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

C.F. No. 457

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

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OFFICE OF
the Superintendent of Police,
Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug.
Camp: Davangere,
Date 3rd October 1942.

No. S.B. 124/42-43.
Encls.

To

The Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that Gandhi Jayanthi was celebrated on 2-10-1942 in Davangere Town in the usual manner. No notices were however published about this though the local Congress leaders had decided before hand to celebrate the function.

The morning's function consisted in going in procession to Adikarnataka Hatti and advising the Harijans to give up bad habits and to take to clean mode of life. Sweets were also distributed. It is reported that about 20 persons in all had participated in this function.

There was a rumour that the students of the local schools would strike work. Hence necessary Police arrangements had been made near the High Schools and Middle Schools in the town to prevent picketing. Two Special buses were engaged for the occasion and constant armed patrol in the town and near the schools was arranged throughout the day. The schools went on peacefully throughout the day and no picketing was allowed. The attendance was however slightly reduced and was better this morning.

There was a photo of Mr. Gandhi taken in procession without music in a double bullock cart decorated for the purpose and drawn by a pair of bullocks. The local Congress leaders of the

and Narayana Rao Gaikwad and others headed the procession with about 20 boys. This number increased to about 100 when the procession terminated. There were no objectionable slogans. The procession commenced at about 5-30 P.M. and terminated at 8 P.M. in the maidan by the side of the Sub-Division Office.

A public meeting was thereafter held with Mr. Bondade Hanumantha Rao in the chair. Kasalu Sreenivasa Setty, Bellary Siddamma, Narayana Rao Gaekwad and Bondade Hanumantha Rao spoke. Their speeches taken down by the Office stenographer have been sent seperately. The speakers concerned themselves mainly about the life and work of Mr. Gandhi. The meeting terminated at about 9 P.M. About 600 persons mainly students attended the meeting.

The celebration of Gandhi Jayanthi appeared to be a mild affair and there was no excitement.

Proper Police arrangements had been made throughout the day and myself and the Assistant Superintendent of Police were looking to the bandobust. Everything was peaceful.

I have the honor to be.
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
Sd. K.S. Krishnamurthi.
Superintendent of Police
Chitaldrug District.

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Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

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R. P. MALLAPPA. Esq.. B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner.

D. O. Jl. C. 521/42-43/Encls: 4

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Dated Chitaldrug, 5th October 1942.

Dear Sir,

I enclose for information of Government a cover addressed to me from the Office of the University of Mysore 'On Mysore Government Service' containing certain printed pamphlets showing the attitude of students towards the annual convocation of the Mysore University to be held at Mysore on 24th October 1942 and Mysore National War Front 'Bulletin No. VI' relating to the conduct of certain Police Officers in Mysore. The press in which these pamphlets were printed are not noted on them.

Yours sincerely,

To

Mothamed.ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

the fair name of our University by your Satanic presence

Will you pause and consider for a moment why you should without compunction prostitute the great talents which Providence has vouchsafed you towards ends harmful to you and the great Motherland which has given you birth ?

Pray, decline the invitation to address the Convocation of our University. Do not needlessly outrage our feelings and our proverbial patience unless you wish for a repetition of the massacre of innocent students which will invitably follow in the wake of your visit in the otherwise peaceful Capital of Mysore.

We are writing this as voicing forth the feelings of the student community of Mysore State Trust you will respond.

We remain,
Your Countrymen,
Central Student Council of Action,
MYSORE.

Dated 10th September, 1942.

To

Sachivothama Sir C. P. Ramaswami Iyer,
Dewan of Travancore. TRIVANDRUM.

Dear Quisling Ramaswami Iyer,

We the Executive of the Student Council of Action learn with concern that you have been invited to deliver the Convocation sermon to the new graduates of our University.

You are perhaps not unaware of the situation in Mysore. The Schools and Colleges are deserted. Measures to coerce boys and girls to attend the institutions both by the authorities and some of our titled gentry (men of your tribe) have proved futile. We the students of Mysore along with our fraternity all over India are writing with our very blood a glorious chapter in the history of our great and ancient Motherland. We are participators in one of the greatest and most glorious Revolutions in the History of mankind.

At this juncture your funeral sermon (for the old order dieth yielding place to new) to the University students sounds too unreal let alone petty and mean.

You have a glorious record of Imperial Service which must make your name as illustricus as the great Empire-builders of yore. Men like you are the central pivots on which the Empire rests and works its orgy of destruction. You have made even men like Marshal Petain blush. How can we forget your record as Information and Broadcasting Member to the Government of Imperial Britain in India? During your brief regime at the Imperial Capital you have improved even on the proverbial Gestapo methods. Telegraph and telephone lines had to be cut off at your instance before you could successfully kidnap the most beloved and trusted of India's leaders. Like the Nazis you have seized the Radio and muzzled the newspapers, lest the news of the dark and hideous repression which you have inaugurated may reach the ears of the outside world. Murder

will out and one day the world will hear of your black deeds and your grand-children will read of your achievements with shame and sorrow even as we read of the deeds of Judas Iscariot. We know on your own admission, how you have connived with the Imperial Agent at New-Delhi in issuing savage orders machine-gunning on student crowd of peaceful boys and girls, whose only crime was their refusal to obey immoral orders. We have instances of such atrocities on student-crowds at Poona, Bombay, Ahmedabad, Lucknow, Allahabad Dacca, Patna, Cawnpore, Madura, and Bangalore. The blood of the innocent students is on you. You have out-hitlered Hitler in the barbarities perpetrated to crush the spirit of a great Nation and outpetained Petain in lining with our agressors to crush your own countrymen. For all that we know Hitler and Petain may have been cruelly misrepresented by false propaganda. But you, we know in your hideous but nonetheless true colors.

You are perhaps now feeling that your dark record will not be complete if you do not disgrace

AN APPEAL TO THE NEW GRADUATES.

Your Motto should be "Boycott The Convocation"
"Get back Quisling Sir C. P.

Brothers and Sisters,

We the students of Mysore learn with concern that the authorities of the University have decided to hold the Convocation of our University on 24th October and that Sir C. P Ramaswamy Iyer is invited to deliver the Convocation Address

It will not, we hope, be considered impertinent if what we are going to say will not be construed as an advice to you, our elders. We know that you are only too anxious to give us a lead in this matter. But a sense of National Duty compels us to issue this appeal.

You must have been aware that we the Students of Mysore State along with our fraternity all over India have deserted our schools and colleges as a moral protest against the arrest of our beloved Leaders and to participate in the great struggle launched by our greatest Leader Mahatma Ghandhi.

(1) Do you consider for a moment and say whether you are in a mood to participate in a farcial ceremony like the Convocation when our brothers and sisters all over the Country are nursing the tender plant of India's Freedom with their very blood ?

(2) Do you feel it will be consistent with our National Honour to participate in a function to be addressed by one, who has evoked more bitterness in Indian Hearts than any other single Indian ? Is not Sir C. P. responsible for the Gestapo tactics adopted in Bombay to kidnap our beloved Leaders ? Has he not muzzled all organs of propaganda the Radio and the Press, lest the hideous truth of the

Freedom movement and the Gestapo methods employed by him may reach the ears of the outside world ?

(3) Can you forget the firing and machine-gunning on innocent student crowds under orders of Quisling Sir C. P. in Bombay, Poona, Dacca, Allahabad, Lucknow and Ahmedabad ? Are you prepared to take the challenge lying down and attend a funeral ceremony like the Convocation ?

(4) Do you face with equanimity the military and police outrages which follow in the wake of Sir C. P.'s visit when we will organize hostile demonstration against Sir C. P. and picket the Convocation permises ? Do you not share the responsibility for loss of innocent student life if picketting is made inevitable by your action.

We know your answer to these questions. We want every one of you to write to the Vice-Chancellor (1) to postpone the Convocation to a date when Freedom and Peace dawn on the land (2) to declare emphatically your resolve to boycott the Convocation if Sir C. P. Ramaswami Iver should ever be allowed to deliver the Convocation Address

Our self-respect demands all of us to act as Citizens of a Free India. We know you will rise to the occasion.

With Regards
Your Younger Brothers & Sisters
The Students of Mysore State

Dated the 11th September 1942.

The Mysore Police have behaved with exemplary restrain and tact during the first four weeks of the Mysore Students' Struggle for Freedom. Hundreds of students have been imprisoned without the slightest hitch between the Police and the Students. The Deputy Commissioner and the District Superintendent of Police deserve the congratulations of the public and the students alike. Their quiet influence must have put the Subordinate Officers on guard not to resort to excesses.

It is therefore no pleasure to us to notice in these columns the conduct of some Police Officers which deserve the prompt notice and action of the public and the authorities

During the last week we have received authentic evidence of instances of police atrocities in Mysore City. Special mention must be made of the over-zealous acts of Inspector Sadasiva Rao, Sub-Inspector Sreekanta Shastry and Constable Anthony. Students who have taken part in processions and demonstrations have been (1) kicked with boots, (2) their tender skins tortured with pins, (3) whipped-all with a view to extort information as to the organisation of the student movement in Mysore. The Government are already spending huge sums of money for organising the secret police. The have showed no scruples in employing even **Students in their service as C I. Ds.** to betray and disintegrate the movement and break its morale. With all these rescurces at its command, is it fair, we ask, for these Inspectors to trespass the law and commit savage atrocities on our student boys and girls. These atrocities have been perpetrated particularly on boys of poor physique.

The Government of Mysore have graciously placed at the disposal of these petty police officials huge sums of money to quell the student movement in the State. Some of them have taken to intoxicating liquors to whip themselves to activity on these poor boys. Constable Anthony, an habitual drunkard, has kicked with his boots an innocent boy who refused to divulge information that his Inspector wanted. Sub-Inspector Shastry gave an exhibition of nudism to terrify one of the boys and Inspector Sadashiva Rao hoping to justify the double pay which is recently sanctioned by the Government for extra strenuous activity exhibited by him, is inciting boys and girls and the public to violent acts by his disgraceful conduct.

The latest atrocity, beats all record. The Police Inspector has invaded the homes of some respectable girl students and has not scrupled to use indecent and vituperative language against the girls in the presence of the mother and the sisters of the girls. The only fault of the poor girls was that they were picketting their schools and colleges. It was open to him to arrest them under the wide powers given to him under the Defence of India Act. But the coward and the base wretch that he is, he has threatened the widowed mother of the girls. We wonder why he should make such indecent incursions to girls' houses. Let the broom and the slipper await him should he take liberties in any girls' house in future. He has threatened to outrage the modesty of the girls by letting loose hooligans who may be working as hirelings under him.

We the Student movement would like to see the movement run on purely non-violent lines. But, if it comes to a question of outraging the very honour of our brave and patriotic girls whose only crime is their love of their Motherland, let the Police understand, that we students will think no method too drastic to bring such disreputable police characters to their senses.

We would most respectfully grue the Deputy Commissioner and the Superintendent of Police to remove the Inspector and his assistants from the job. The fact that the other police inspectors function within the limits of the law, has convinced us that these atrocities have been committed with ut your knowledge. The Inspector is unworthy to handle a crisis of this nature. He will bring disgrace to you and the public whom he pretends to serve.

Should there be acts of moo violence and mob atrocities against this Police Inspect r and Constable (despite the warnings of the Student Movement) the Deputy Commissioner and the Superintendent of Police cannot be absolved from their share of the blame. We trust they will not only dissociate themselves from the atrocities of their subordinates but will offer a full and ample apology to the **Public and the parties who have been the victims of such atrocities. We hope drastic action will be taken against the officials named and the fair name of Mysore restored.**

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On Mysore Govt. Service

The Deputy Commissioner
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K. Raja Rao
Clerk
of the University of Mysore.
MYSORE.

No.Jl.C.521/42-43
Encl:One.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug, dated, 31st Octr. 1942.

Dear Sir,

I write to enclose herein for favour of information of Government a copy of extract from S.B. No.124/42-43 dated the 28th October 1942 received from the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug Dt., re: the acts of sabotage in Hiriyur Taluk of this District.

Yours sincerely,

To

Mothamed-ul-Mulk,
M.G.Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government,
Bangalore.

Extract from S.B.No.124/42-53 dated the 28th October 1942 from the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug Dist. to the Deputy Commissioner. Chitaldrug District.

3) Hiriyur Taluk.

Regarding the mischief to Telegraph line at mile 103/2 between Hiriyur and Challakere, I visited the spot this morning and learnt that 16 poles were meddled. One pole completely bent to the ground - wire cut with chisel and hammer in several places and nearly 3400 feet of wire missing. A case is registered at Hiriyur Kasaba Cr.No.21/42-43 and is being - investigated. It is confidentially ascertained that one - Baragoor Rame Gowda of Sira Taluk is posing himself as a revolutionary and is roaming with a band of vagabonds and committing these acts of mischief. He was seen with his followers on the border of Amarapur of Madras Presidency on the night of 27.10.1942 and is said to be in possession of a revolver, which he is threatening to use. He is said to be wanted by Sira - Taluk Police also.

Immediate arrangements are made for concerted action by Hiriyur, Sira and Amarapur Station Police. It is - proposed to comb out the area in the respective jurisdictions simultaneously.

It is reported that telegraph wire running on the border of Sira Taluk has been cut and insulators smashed- A case is taken on file and is being investigated.

On information that the road bridge at mile 114 on Hiriuur-Chitaldrug road near Maradihally was attempted to be tampered, I proceeded to the spot this morning and inspected the bridge along with the Assistant Engineer. This bridge has got 3 big spans and several big holes have been bored underneath the bridge. In one or two holes black powder has been put with a wick and attempts have been made to light the fuse

fuse but the miscreants were unsuccessful. Some one has written on the wall of the bridge "ಕುಡಕ್ಕ ಮಿ ಚೆಂಡಾಡುತಿರಿಂದಿ ಅಲ್ಲ". In one of the holes there was a piece of paper in which the village Maradihally has been noted. Maradihalli is about 2 miles from this place and on confidential information five persons, including Seetharama Reddi were arrested. The name-board near the approach to Maradihally has also been damaged. It is expected that with the arrest of 3 more persons for whom warrants have been obtained, this trouble will cease

It is reported that at Kodihalli of Hiriyur Taluk, there was a piece of card-board hung up in front of the school which had the following written ~~ಮಾಡಕ್ಕೆ ಸಿದ್ಧರಾಗಿರಬೇಕು~~ ನಿಮ್ಮ ಊರು ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಆಂಜಕ್ಕೆ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡಿದರೆ ಹೀಗೆ ಆಗುವುದು etc., The Sub Inspector immediately proceeded to the spot on 25.10.1942 and learnt that one Parasanna son of the Patel was responsible. He could not be arrested on the spot since the Sub Inspector has not sufficient force. The Amildar went to the spot subsequently and conducted the Jamabandy. There was no trouble. Arrangements have been made to arrest this Parasanna. It is learnt that this boy was an inmate of the hostel belonging to the father of Baragoor Rame Gowda of Sira Taluk and is suspected to have been in contact with the said Rame Gowda. Further action taken in the matter will be duly reported.

"EXTRACT"

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

R. P. MALLAPPA, ESQ., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner & District Magistrate.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER & DISTRICT MAGISTRATE.

Dated Chitaldrug, 10th November 1942

D. O. Jl.C.521/42-43
Encl. One.

Dear Sir,

I write to enclose herein for favour of information of Government a copy of S.B.report No.124/42-43 dated the 9th November 1942 received from the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug District, detailing the political situation in this District.

Yours sincerely,

To

Mothamed-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri,Esq.,B.A.,LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

S.B.124/42-43

SECRET. SPECIAL REPORT CHITALDRUG, DATED 9-11-1942.

Submitted to the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District

In continuation of my previous S.B.Reports regarding the present political situation in this District, I ~~have~~ beg to state as follows:-

1 Hiriyur: Regarding Baragur Rame Gowda who was posing himself as a revolutionary and indulging in mischievous activities, it is reported that on information received, the Police Inspector of Hiriyur with necessary staff ~~x~~ proceeded to Golhalli in Hiriyur taluk and found the individual in the house of one Hanumanthiah on the night of 5-11-42. Rame Gowda was arrested as also one Kariyanna son of Mudlappa of Yelnodu who was found with him. It is also reported that objectionable literature was found with Rame Gowda. A case has been registered against him in connection with this. It is also reported that on 4-11-42 this Rame Gowda Kariyanna of Yelnadu and other stopped a toddy cart and committed mischief. A case has been registered and is under investigation. Rame Gowda and his associate have been got remanded to the District Lock-up up to 14-11-42. The Sira Police and District Superintendent of Police. Tumkur. have been informed of the arrest. It is learnt that Rame Gowda is wanted in Cr. Nos. 5, 8/42-43 under Rule 35 (1) of Defence of India Rules and 13/42-43 under Section 24 Public Security Act of Kariyaganahalli Station of Sira Taluk and in Cr. No.76/42 under Section 436 I.P.C. of Amarapur, Madaksira Taluk. The Sub Inspector of Police of Amarapur also is duly informed.

2. Davangere: It is reported that some one had thrown in the window of the Government High School an "L" shaped iron piece filled with explosive stuff after setting fire to a piece of cotton used as a fuse. The peon of the school is reported to have observed it before it could explode. The Assistant Superintendent of Police reports that he has doubled the Police Guard round Government buildings

Chitaldrug: The Selection Examination for VI Form students is proceeding. Except for one examinee with 3 other students of other classes tearing up a few question papers, at the commencement or the examination on the 4th instant nothing else happened. The examinations are going on smoothly ever since. The four students were immediately arrested and one of them subsequently released on tendering apology.

Challakere: The activities of Mr. C. Krishna Rao. President of ಶಿಕ್ಷಕರಸಂಘ " is reported. He is stated to have led a batch of Cooly women to the Amildar's house on 4-11-42 demanding work for them. Necessary action will be taken against him for his objectionable activities

I was on casual leave from the 6th instant and returned to duty this day.

Sd. K.S. Krishnamurthi.

Superintendent of Police,
Chitaldrug District.

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Deputy Commissiomer
Chitaldrug District.

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No.Jl.C.521/42-43

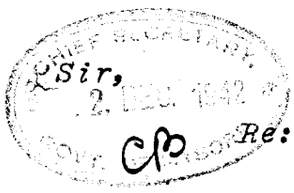
Office of the Deputy Commissioner.
Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug, dated, 1st December 1942.

From,

R.P.Mallappa, Esquire, B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug.

To

Mothamad-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.



Sir,

Re: the number of persons arrested and released.
Chitaldrug District.

With reference to your D.O. letter No.2558-66/C.B. dated the 17th November 1942 re: the number of persons arrested and released under the several categories, I have the honou to state that the information called for above has been furnished to the Inspector-General of Police in Musore, Bangalore with this office communication No.Jl.C.521/42-43 dated 30th November 1942.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

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Deputy Commissioner,

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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.
Dated, Chitaldrug, 5th Decr., 1942.

Dear Sir,

I write to enclose herein for favour of information of Government a copy of S.B. report No. 124/42-43 dated the 4th December 1942 received from the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug, re: the ~~burning~~ letting loss of certain old records in the District Educational Officer's record room by some unknown persons. I also visited the spot along with the District Superintendent of Police and the District Educational Officer and issued necessary instructions to the Police authorities to investigate the case and to arrange for proper vigilence at nights.

Yours sincerely,

To

Mothamad-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
BANGALORE.

and they did not notice anything wrong. The presence of the rope and removal of the tiles suggests that the entry has been effected by getting on the roof and removing the tiles and descending into the room by means of a rope tied to the reeper. The departure seem to have been made in the same manner

A case has been registered in Town Cr. No.37/42-43 under sections 454 or 457 & 436 I.P.C. and Rule 35 (1) (h) of the Defence of India Rules and investigation is proceeding. Vigorous efforts are ~~ha~~ being made to trace the culprits.

The Deputy Commissioner was pleased to inspect the spot and issue necessary instructions.

I have the honor to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd.K.S. Krishnamurthi.

SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

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Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Telegram / phone

OFFICE OF
the Superintendent of Police,
Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug,
4th December 1942.

No. S.B. 124/42-43/S.B.
Encls.

Date

To

The Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that information was received at 11 A.M. this day from the District Educational Officer. Chitaldrug, that some unknown persons have entered into the Records Room of his office and set fire to some old records. I immediately proceeded to the spot and observed that two rows of records kept on the iron rack in the Records Room had been burnt. Three or four tiles had been removed suggesting the entry into the room from outside had been effected thereby. There was a coil of new rope thrown in the rear portion. A big bottle and two small bottles smelling of kerosene were kept on the table in the Records Room A match box was also lying close-by.

One K. Ramappa. a peon of the office who was the first to notice the fire was questioned who stated that he opened the Office door at about 10-45 A.M. and found the records burning. He immediately quenched the fire by throwing water and informed the Clerks working in the office of the Assistant Inspector of Schools and Inspector of Urdu Schools.

The offices of the District Educational Officer, Assistant Inspector of Schools and Inspector of Urdu Schools are located in the same building which is in the midst of dwelling houses and Government Offices. Enquiries disclose that two peons of the office are detailed to sleep in the premises every night. The clerks of the office of the Assistant Inspector of Schools and

R. P. MALLAPPA, ESQ., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner & District Magistrate.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER & DISTRICT MAGISTRATE.

Dated Chitaldrug, ...12th..December..... *19* 42

D. O. Jl.C.521/42-43
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Dear Sir,

I write to state for favour of information of Government, that the Amildar, Chitaldrug Taluk, has submitted a report with his No.A.F.18/42-43 dated the 11th inst. that it was observed by the Treasury Guard Daffedar at about 6.30 P.M., on Friday the 11th instant, that there was some smell of smoke coming out of the Records Branch of the Taluk Office and immediately the door of the room was broke open as it was locked and the fire was quenched. It is reported that some records have been burnt. I have issued necessary instructions to the Police authorities to investigate the case and report the fact immediately It is suspected that the fire might be due to some stem of beedi or burning match-stick thrown into the waste-paper basket by the Record-Keeper or the Attender both of whom are smokers. The matter is under enquiry.

Yours sincerely,

Mothamad-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
BANGALORE.

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Deputy Commissioner.

D. O. Jl.C.521/42-43
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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Dated Chitaldrug, 13th December 1942.

Dear Sir,

I herein enclose a copy of the report No.S.B.124/42-43 dated the 13th December 1942 regarding the setting fire to the wooden sleepers forming the Water column about a mile from Chitaldrug Railway Station towards Chikjajur last night at about 11 P.M., All concerned message was received from the Station Master, Chitaldrug that the water tanks as the result of setting fire to the sleepers fell down and obstructed the railway line. I visited the spot this morning. The railway line had been cleared but there was still fire which was being quenched. From the description given by the Railway Police Constables and the Gangman it is clear that this act of incendiarism is the work of persons indulged in subversive activities. Considering that this District was quiet until the student detenues who were released from the Central Jail at Bangalore arrived here, I strongly suspect that this must be the work of these released students. This is the result of indiscriminate release by the District Magistrate, Bangalore without consulting the District Magistrate of the District who had ordered their detention. The released students do not attend the classes as some of them will have lost their term and as the date for sending up application for public examination has already passed with the result that they would naturally indulge in such acts of sabotage. They have started the second round of 'Merry-go-round' hardly within four days of their release and I should not be surprised if they go about to the villages to preach no-tax campaign. I have instructed the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug District, to register a case and proceed with the investigation and to arrange for

for effective watch of all public buildings during day and night & the movements of released Students detenues.

Yours sincerely,

To

Mothamad-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyuddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Musore.
BANGALORE.

I strengthened the staff at the Railway Station. I am posting the Armed Reserve of 12 strong with a N.C.O. to the Railway Station for a few days, with instructions to ~~the~~ guard the Railway property. The Deputy Commissioner was also pleased to inspect the spot and make necessary enquiries.

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Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

Letter No. S.B. 124/42-43 dated, 13th December 1942 from the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug District to the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug,District, Chitaldrug.

I have the honour to report that at about 11-30 P.M. on 12-12-42 information was received from a Police Constable posted for special duty at Chitaldrug Railway Station to the effect that some one had set fire to the Water Column near Chitaldrug Railway Station. I immediately proceeded to the Railway Station along with the local Police officers and some men. The Station Master told me that the Water Column near mile 20, about a mile from the Railway Station had been set fire to. The spot was immediately visited. I found that the sleepers were burning and the tank obstructing the permanent way. Some of the sleepers under the permanent tract had also caught fire. Efforts made to quench the fire were not successful. But the fire so far as the sleepers under the permanent tract are concerned was brought under control.

An immediate search was made in the vicinity for any sign of the culprits but no trace of them was found. I made enquiries on the spot and learnt that two Police Constables (R.P.C.No.9 Rangappa, R.P.C. No. 129) of the Railway with a gangman - Narasa, were posted by the Railway Daffedar for guarding the Water Tank, on the night in question.

R.P.C. 129 Rangappa stated that at about 10-30 P.M. when he was on watch, stones began to be pelted all at once by a crowd of about 25 persons who rushed at the other Police Constable and gangmen. These were caught and tied up to the Water Shed. Then some persons among the crowd threw the contents of a tin on the sleepers and set fire to the same. Meanwhile, he (R.P.C. 129) managed to escape and gave information to the Station staff, etc.,

R.P.C. 9 and gangman - Narasa stated that they were suddenly pounced upon and bound to the Water Shed by a crowd of about 25 persons some of whom were wearing Gandhi caps and appeared to be boys. Then the sleepers were set fire and the miscreants ran away immediately afterwards, after releasing them.

R. P. MALLAPPA, Esq., B.A., LLB.
Deputy Commissioner.

D. O. Jl. C. 521/42-43
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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER.
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Dated Chitaldrug, 13th December 1942

Dear Sir,

In continuation of my D.O. letter No.Jl.C.521/42-43 dated the 12th December 1942, I enclose for favour of information of Government a copy of the report No.S.B.124/42-43 dated the 12th December 1942 regarding fire in the record room of the - Taluk Office at Chitaldrug on the evening of 11th December 1942. I do not think that the fire is due to any act of sabotage. It is suspected that the fire must be due to any lighted beedi or match stick being thrown carelessly by either the record-keeper M.Srikantaiah or the Dafterband Kampalappa both of whom are in the habit of smoking. I have instructed the Amildar to place both the clerks under suspension pending enquiry.

Yours sincerely,

To

Mothamad-ul-Mulk,
Gulam Mohiyddin Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Public Offices, BANGALORE.

and the fire was observed at about 6.30 P.M., There are no indications of entry being effected into the room in any unauthorised way.

Therefore it appears to be possible that one of the two - clerks must have thrown a lighted beedi into the waste-paper basket which has caught fire. Both the clerks are ascertained to be smokers.

The Deputy Commissioner was also pleased to visit the spot and made necessary enquiries.

My enquiry came to a close at about 8.15 P.M., and hence the report could not be submitted within postal time yesterday.

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Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

Report No.S.B.124/42-43 dated the 12th December 1942 from the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug District, to the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District.

I have the honour to report that at about 7.30 P.M., on 11.12.42 I received information that some records kept in the record room of the Taluk Office, Chitaldrug, were burnt and that the fire was extinguished by the Police on the spot before it could develop. I immediately proceeded to the spot and observed that the Waste paper basket kept under the table in the record room had been burnt as also some old records nearby.

The record room is in the Taluk office building and is a terraced room. There are two windows and two ventilators and one door.

I enquired the record keeper M.Srikantaiah who stated that after finishing the office work at about 6.15 P.M., he locked the door of the room and left the office. The two windows were bolted from the inside when he left the room. The only other clerk - working in the room is Daftarband Kampalappa who corroborates Srikantaiah.

Police Daffedar Annusingh of Taluk Treasury Guard states that at about 6.30 P.M., yesterday he smelt some paper burning and immediately after he could see some smoke coming through the closed door. He immediately brought this to the notice of the Head Clerk. The lock was broke open and on entering the room he observed that the waste-paper basket had taken fire. He extinguished the same and informed the authorities. He found the windows closed from inside and everything in tact.

On enquiry at the spot after personal inspection, it is evident that no one get into the room except through the door and the windows and ventilators being bolted from inside, it is not also possible for any one to throw anything from outside, since the bolts were intact. The entry into the room is through the hall and it is not easy for anu one to get into the recora room. Besides the

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No. J.1.C. 521/42-43

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Dated 14th Decr 194 2.

Dear Sir,

Subject:- Mischief to Post Office at Davangere on 17-8-42 - Crime No.10/42-43 on the file of the Special First Magistrate, Davangere - Disposal.

I write to enclose herein for favour of information of Government a copy of report No.S.B.124/42-43 dated the 13th December 1942, received from the District Supdt., of Police, Chitaldroog, furnishing

the details of conviction aga
the accused concerned in the abo.e
case. It is reported that there
were no students among the convicted
persons.

Yours sincerely,

Mothamed-Ul-Mulk

M.G. Mehkri Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to the Govt.,
of Mysore, BANGALORE.

LETTER No.S.B.124/42-43 dated 13-12-42 from the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldroog, to the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldroog.

SUBJECT:- Mischief to Post Office at Davangere on 17-8-42. Cr.No.~~10/42-43~~ 10/42-43 of Davangere Town.

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I have the honor to state that judgment was delivered in the said case on 12-12-42 by the Special First Class Magistrate, Davangere, in C.C.102/42-43, the details of which are as follows:-

All the six accused against whom charges had been framed were convicted under section 147 I.P.C. and sentenced to 6 months R.I. and Rs.100/- fine or in default 3 months R.I.

A.2. Venkata Setty and A.8. Haneef were convicted under Rule 35(1)(b) of Defence of India Rules and sentenced to R.I. for 18 months, the sentences to run concurrently with those under section 147 I.P.C.

A.4. Rudrappa and A.6 Siddappa were convicted under Rule 35(1)(a) of Defence of India Rules read with Rule 121 Defence of India Rule to R.I. for one year sentences to run concurrently with those under section 147 I.P.C.

All the six accused afore-mentioned were bound over under section 106 Cr.P.C. and ordered to execute a bond with one surety each for Rs.500/- to keep peace for 3 years.

A.1. Abu Baker and A.7. Somasekarappa had been discharged earlier.

There is no student among the convicted person.

This case relates to the mischief caused to the Post Office at Davangere on 17-8-42. Stones were pelted on the Post Office, the telegraphic wires at the Telegraph Office were cut,

the registration counter was opened and the letter scale was ~~broch~~ broken to pieces.

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Deputy Commissioner
Chitaldroog District.

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General and Revenue Secretariat

D.O. No. 2967/CB *Dated, Bangalore,* 15th December 1942.

With reference to your D.O. letter No. J1.C.521/42-43 dated the 13th December 1942 reporting ~~about the fact~~ that some one had set fire to the water column near Chitaldrug Railway Station, I am desired to ~~point out~~ above that the circumstances seem to indicate that ~~it~~ is the ~~result~~ work of a more organised band than a batch of a few students. I am therefore to request that careful enquiry in the matter ~~may~~ will be made.

It is also necessary that you should instruct the Superintendent of Police to get a list of the students who are roaming at large and watch their activities.

Yours &c

R. P. Mallappa, Esqr., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District.

No. 2968/CB C.O. No. 5 J. S. P

Letter No.S.B.124/42-43 dated December 13, 1942, from the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug, to the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District, and copy to the Inspector-General of Police in Mysore, Bangalore, for favour of information.

Subject:- Mischief to Post Office at Davanagere on 17-8-42. Cr.No.10/42-43 of Davanagere Town.

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I have the honour to state that judgment was delivered in the said case on 12-12-42 by the Special First Class - Magistrate, Davanagere, in CC.102/42-43, the details of which are as follows:-

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No. 63/42-43/S.B Bangalore, dated, December 15, 1942.

Copy forwarded, with compliments, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore, Bangalore, for information.

INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE
IN MYSORE.

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14-11-42. ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ.

D.O. J.1.C.521/42-43
ENCLS.

R. P. MALLAPPA, ESQ., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner,

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.
Dated, Chitaldrug, 17th Decr. *1942.*

Dear Sir,

I write to enclose herein for favour of information of Government the pamphlets called 'LIBERTY' published in Kannada and English received by me in a cover marked 'On Mysore Government Service' (enclosed).

Yours sincerely,

To

Mothemad-Ul-Mulk
M.G. Mehkri Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to the Govt., of
Mysore, BANGALORE.

ರಷ್ಯಾ-ಮೇಲಿಂದ ಮೇಲೆ ತನ್ನ ಅಸಮಾನ್ಯ ಧೈರ್ಯವನ್ನು ನಿರಾಚಾನುತ್ತಾ ಬಂದಿರುವ ಕೆಂಪು ಫೌಜ್ ತನ್ನ ತನ್ನ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ನೇಪ್ರೆಂಟನ್ನು ತೆಕೆಯಿತು. ಎಲ್ಲಿ? ಭಾರತದಲ್ಲಿ. ಯುದ್ಧಸ್ಥಳಗಳಿಗೆ ಭಾರತವು ಯಾವಮೇಲೆ. ಏಕೆಂದರೆ ಮಿತ್ರರಾಷ್ಟ್ರಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಪೂರ್ಣ ಸಹಕಾರವನ್ನು ಕೊಡಬೇಕಾಗಿದೆ. ಪೆಲಿಂಗ್ರಾಮನೀನ್ನು ಇಪಜ್ಞೆ ಸರ್ ಸಿ. ಪಿ. ಯವರು ಬರೆಯುತ್ತಾ "ಸೋವಿಯತ್ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರವು ತನ್ನ ಪೌನೀಯದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಆನಂದವೇ. ಇಂದು ಪ್ರೊಲೆಟೆರಿಯಟ್ ಯುದ್ಧದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಪೂರ್ಣ ಅಭ್ಯುದಯಕ್ಕೆ ಯುಂಟಾಗಿದೆ. ಕೆಂಪ್ರ ಸೈನ್ಯವು ಭಯಾಕ್ರಾಂತವೆನಿಸಿದೆ." ಎಂದು ತಮ್ಮವರಿಗೆಲ್ಲಾ ಹೇಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಅಂತಮೇಲೆ, ಜಗತ್ತಿನ ಅತ್ಯಂತ ಪ್ರಬಲ ಸಾಮ್ರಾಜ್ಯವಾದ ಬ್ರಿಟಿಷ್, ನಿಶ್ಶಸ್ತ್ರವಾಗಿ, ಆತ್ಮಕೇಂದ್ರಿಯವನ್ನೇ ಅವಲಂಬಿಸಿ ಹೋರಾಡುತ್ತಿರುವ ಕಾಂಗ್ರೆಸ್ಸನ್ನು ಹುಳಿದಂತಾಯಿತಲ್ಲಾ! ಈ ಸಂಕಟ್ರಣಿಸಾಡುತ್ತಿರುವ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ರಹಸ್ಯಾಂಕಿತರುಗಳು ಅಲ್ಲಲ್ಲಿ ಒಬ್ಬೊಬ್ಬರು ನೇಮಿತರಾಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಮೈಸೂರಿನ ರಹಸ್ಯಾಂಕಿತರು ನಮ್ಮವ್ಯಾಯಾಂಗ ಶ್ರೀಚರರು. ಇವರಿಗೆ ರಹಸ್ಯಾಂಕಿತ-ಧೈರ್ಯ-ಚಿಂತೆ- ಅನುವಾಯಿತೆ. ಅಧ್ಯಯಿಂದ, ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರಗಾದೇವಿಯವರ ಪ್ರೇರಣೆಯಿಂದ ಸಹಸ್ರ ಭುಜಗಳಾಗಿ ಮೈಸೂರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕಳವಳಿಯವನ್ನೇ ತುಳಿದುಹಾಕುವ ಭಗೀರಥ ಪ್ರಯತ್ನ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದರು. ಶ್ರೀ, ತಾ. 27-10-42 ರಂದಿನ ಮೈಸೂರು ಜೈಲಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಬೇಕಾಯಿಸಿದರು. 17 ಜನ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳು ತೀವ್ರಗಾಯಗೊಂಡರು. ಇಬ್ಬರು ಎಲುಬುಗಳೆಲ್ಲಾ ಮುರಿದುಹೋಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಇದಾದ ಮರುದಿನವೆ ಒಂದು ಪತ್ರಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯೊಂದು ಇಷ್ಟಿತ್ತು. ಈ ಮಾನುಷ ಚೇಷ್ಟೆಯಮೊದಲನೇ ಆಹುತಿಯೆಂಬೋ ಕೆಂಚಪ್ಪ. ಇಂತ ಪತ್ರಿಕೆಯನ್ನು ಗಾಂ-ಗಾಂ ವಾಣಿ ಬಿಟ್ಟರು. ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ವಿರುದ್ಧ ಕೋಪದ 'ಬ್ಲಾಂಕೇ-ನ್ಯೂಮೋನಿಯಾ' ಅಂತೆಲ್ಲಾ ಬಿಟ್ಟರು. ಒಂದೇ ದಿನದಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಗಾಯವೆಲ್ಲಾ ಹಾಗೆ, ಬಿಲ್ಕುಣಿಸಿ, ಪ್ರಬಲಪ್ರಾಣದ ಬಂದುಕಟ್ಟುವೆಯನ್ನು ಹಿಂದೆಂದೂ ಯಾರು ಕೇಳಿರಲೇ ಇಲ್ಲ. ಎಕ್ಸ್. ಆರ್. ಸಿ. ಎಸ್. ನವರಿಗೂ ಇದೊಂದು ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಯೇ ಅಯ್ತು. ಅಲ್ಲಾ, ಇಷ್ಟಬದುಕೊಂದು ಸುಮ್ಮನಿರುವ ಬದಲು, ತಲೆಕೆಡಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳೋದೇ ಇವರು ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಬ್ರಿಟಿಷ್ ಲಂಡ್ ಸರ್ಕಾರವನ್ನೇ? ಮಾನವರಿಸರ್ಕಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾನವರಿಲ್ಲವೆ!

ಇನ್ನು ಈ ವಿಚಾರವೇಕೆಲ್ಲಾ ಹುಡುಕಿ, ಕಾಮಕ್ಲೇನೆಕೆಳಗಿ, ಧೈರ್ಯ ತಿಗಿಟ್ಟುಕೊಂಡಿರುವ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳನ್ನು ಪ್ರೌಢ ಶಿಂತೆಗೆಳಸಲು ಡೆಟಮ್ಯಾಗಳನ್ನು ಬಿಡುಗಡೆ ಮಾಡಿದರು. ಇದೇ ಪ್ರಾಚೀನ ಕಾಲದಿಂದಲೂ ಅಂತರ್ಯುದ್ಧದ ಕಾರ್ಯನೆಸೊಂದು ಅಥವಾ ಕರುಣೆ ಹೋಗಿ ಬಿಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಲ್ಲ. ಅದು 'ಬಾಲ್ ಟೆಕ್ನಿಕ್' ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳೇ ನಾವು ಎಂಬಂತೆ, ಇದೇ ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಹೊಟ್ಟುಕುವ ವಿದ್ಯಾ ಭ್ಯಾಸಕ್ಕೆ ಕೆಲವಾಗಿಯೇ ಇಂಥಾ ಚೆಪ್ಪೆ ಕ್ಕೆ ಮನ್ನು ಭೇದಿಸಿ, ಮರ್ಮವನ್ನು ತಿಳಿದು ಹೊಳ್ಳುವಷ್ಟು ಬುದ್ಧಿವಂತರಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಅವರಿಗೂ ಇವೆ. ಒಂದುರಡೆ ಹಿಂಸಾಲಿಪ್ತರೂ, ಸಮಯನೋಡಿಲುತ್ತಾ ಕೆಲಸಮಾಡುವಂತೆ ನಮ್ಮ ರಹಸ್ಯಾಂಡಂಗೆ ಭರವಸೆ ಹೊಡುತ್ತೇವೆ. ಇದೂ ಒಂದಾಡ ವಾರ್ ಟೆಕ್ನಿಕ್'

ಬ್ರೀರೆ-ಬಿಪ್ಪಿಣಿ:— ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಚಳವಳಿಯನ್ನು ಹೊಡಿಯುವಾಗ್ಯಾಂಕ, ಸನೇಹಾಲಂಬನವಹುಮತ್ತು ಲಂಡಲಿಸೈನ್ಯಾಸಿಗಳು ಸರ್ವಾಂತರ್ಯಾಮಿಗಳಾಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ನಿಸ್ಸೀಮಚೇಕೆಚತ್ತುಕೆಂಮಾ, ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯವಾದಿಗಳನ್ನೆಂದೂ ಮತ್ತು ಸ್ವತಂತ್ರವಾಗಿ ಭಾರತದವರೆಂದಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಸಾಧಿಸ್ಥೇಮತ್ತು ಬೀಚಪ್ರಜೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಅಸಹ್ಯ ಭಾವನೆಯನ್ನು ಹುಟ್ಟಿಸುವ 'ಗಂಡುಸೊಡಲ' ಯತ್ನವೇ ಇದಾಗಿದೆ. ಈ ಸುಂಟರಗಾಳಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಚ್ಚಾರಿಂ ಪೆನ್ನು ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯವಾದಿಗಳೆಂಬುದನ್ನು ಪ್ರಯತ್ನಿಸುವುದು ಯಾಕಪ್ಪ!! ಅಂತೆಯೇ ನಮ್ಮ ಸಿಸಕ್ಕಿ ಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇ. ರಾಜಕೀಯ ಅಮಲಿನವರ್ಲ್ಲಿ ಮೈಸೂರಿನ ಜನತೆಯನ್ನು ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯವಾದಿಗಳೆಂಬ ಹೆಸರಿನಿಂದ ಕರೆಯಲ್ಪಡುವ ಸ್ವೈನಿರ್ಮಲಮಾಡಲೆಂದು ಹೊಸತಂತ್ರವನ್ನು ಪ್ರಯತ್ನಿಸಿದ ಭಗೀರಥರವರು, ತಂದೆಯಮೆ ಅಜ್ಞಾನಿಯಂತೆ ತಾಯಿಯಂತೆ ಭಿಕ್ಷೆಗೆ ಬಿಸುವರಥಾಭಾಗವು ಬೇಲಿಯಮೇಲೆ ಬಿದ್ದಿರುವಂತೆ ಮೇಲೆ ಬಿದ್ದಿರುವುದು, ಅವರಂತೆ ಅವರು ಇಂದು ಜನ್ಮಪ್ರತ್ಯಯಕ್ಕೆ ಕೇಡಸಕ್ಕೆ ಬೈ ಎತ್ತಿರಬೇಕಲ್ಲಾ ಮೇಲೆ. ಶಾಂತಂ ಪಾಪಂ. ಶಾಂತಂ ಪಾಪಂ. ಇರಲಿ ಗಂಡುಸೊಡಲೆಂಬುದೆಲ್ಲಾ ಮಿತ್ರರುಗಳ ಈ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ತೊಡಗದಿರಲೆಂದೆ ಕೆಲವು ಮಾತ್ರ ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೆ

ಯಾತ್ರೆ:— ಮಲ್ಲೇಶ್ವರಂ ಸ್ವದೇಶಿ ಸ್ಟೋರ್ಸ್ ಅನಲ್ಲಿ 1000 ರೂ. ಮೌಲ್ಯದ್ದು ಚಿಲ್ಲರೆ ಭಾಳುವ ವಿಜ್ಞಾನ ವಸ್ತುಗಳು ರಲ್ಲುವಾಗಿವೆಯಂತೆ. (ತಿ.ಂ.R.C

ಚೆಂಗಳೂರು-ಮೈಸೂರು ಟ್ರೈನ್ ಬಿಳಿಯರು ಸುಮಾರು ವಿರುವ ನೇಮಕವಿರುವ ಬಳಿ ಆಸ್ಪೋಟವಾಯಂತೆ.

ಚೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇಂಟರ್ ಮೀಡಿಯೆಟ್ ಕಾಲೇಜಿನ ಒಂದು ಕೊಠಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಂಬ್ ಇಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಾಗಿಯೂ ಬಂಬಾದುದರ ಕಿಂಗಿಯಾಗಿ ಕೊಠಡಿಯೆಲ್ಲಾ ಬಿರುಕು ಬಿಟ್ಟಿದೆಯಂತೆ. ಕಿಟ್ಟಿಕಿಟಾರು ½ ಫರ್ಲಾಂಗ್ ದೂರಕೇಳಿಬರುತಂತೆ. (ತಿ.ಂ.R.C)

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A.I.C.C. Draft Resolutions Banned By the Government

1) Evacuated Lands and the Behaviour of Soldiers: The attention of the A.I.C.C. has been drawn to various orders passed by Government or military authorities for the evacuation of certain areas in the country. Such evacuation is often necessary in times of war for reasons of military necessity or the safety of the population in a particular area. But it is recognized practice that such orders should be passed, except in cases of sudden and extreme urgency, without giving making suitable arrangements and without even giving reasonable and sufficient time to the people concerned to do so and, in any event, without every facility of transport and adequate compensation. It appears that no such facilities have been provided and, in many cases no compensation, or totally inadequate compensation has been given. Some orders have demanded evacuation from an area within 24 hours, thus making it impossible for families to do anything but to walk out, camp under the trees, become destitute and starve. No government, worth the name, should allow this to happen, and even from the military point of view, such happenings are highly undesirable as they lead to widespread resentment among the people.

The Committee has also noted with dismay that frequent and well authenticated reports have been received of the molestation of women by soldiers in railway trains and evacuated and other places. These have already led to disastrous consequences, including the shooting of peoplewho resisted in some places, and there is a growing and widespread feeling of deep resentment, especially at the inability of any authority to take effective steps to prevent these happening or punish the culprits. The civil authority appears to be powerless and the military authority disinclined to intervene. The Committee trusts that immediate steps will be taken to check and put an end to this molestation which must be resisted by the people at all costs.

2) THE LESSON OF RANGOON AND LOWER BURMA: The Committee has noted the recent extraordinary happenings in Lower Burma, and notably in the city of Rangoon, when, though actual military operations were still some distance away, the whole civil administration suddenly cooccol collapsed and those in charge of it sought their own safety and abandoned their posts just when their presence was most needed. Private motor cars were commandeered for the evacuation of high officials and Europeans, leaving their owners stranded and unprovided for. The police force was discharged or withdrawn to other other places, habitual and other criminals were released from prisons, and the lunatics alowed allowed to go out of their asylums. The city of Rangoon was thus left not only without any civil administration but at the mercy of lunatics hardened criminals and other anti-social elements. Even previously, at the time of the air raids, it had been evident that the A.R.P. organization did not function and no thought had been given to the problem of organized evacuation, food supply or shelter. A situation was thus created which involved the citizens of Rangoon in utmost misery and desolation, and which was discreditable in the extreme to the Government and its high officials.

As war approaches India, the lessons of Rangoon and Lower Burma are full of meaning for this country, for the same type of official wields authority here, and the recent astonishing exhibition of panic and incompetence in Madras, demonstrates the dangers arising from inefficien irresponsible officials, who have, in addition, no contacts with the people of the country. Recent orders passed and circulars issued on behalf various Provinciale Governments indicate that they are obsessed with making provision for the safety of higher civil officials, and their removal from places of immediate danger. Little though appears to have been given to the drawing up of well prepared schemes for possible evacuation of a particular areas, and the arrangement of transport, housing and food supply in a time of emergency. It is the misfortune of India, at this crisis in her history, not only to have a foreign government but a government which is incompetent and incapable of organizing her defence properly or of providing for the safety and essential needs of her people.

As no reliance can be placed on the Central or Provincial Governments now functioning in India now to act effectively and intelligently in time of emergency, it becomes the especial duty of the people to rely upon and organize themselves for this purpose. The Congress programme

the evils that follow in the train of war. On this programme, therefore, the people must concentrate themselves. In the larger cities where special problems arise, schemes should be worked out with the help of experts, in regard to food supply and the other measures that may be necessary in time of emergency. In particular, all panic should be avoided even though those in authority give way to it.

5). EVACUEES AND REFUGEES FROM MALAYA AND BURMA: The A.I.C.C. has noted with indignation the arrangements made for, and thetreeatment accorded to, evacuees and refugees from Malaya and Burma to India. The officials, whose business and duty it was to protect the lives and interests of the people in their respect areas, utterly failed do discharge that responsiblity and, running away from their post of duty, sought safety for themselves, leaving the vast majority of the w people wholly uncared and unprovided for. Such arrangement for evacuation as were made were meant principally for the European population and at every step racial discrimination was in evidence. Because of this and also because of the utter incompetence, callousness and selfishness of those in authority, vast number of Indians in Malaya and Burma have not only lost all they possessed but have also undergone unimaginable sufferings, many of dying on the way from lack ofthe necessaries of life, from disease, or from attacks from anti-social elements.

Racial discrimination was shown at the base camps in Burma where special arrangements were made for Europeans and Anglo-Burmans while Indians were almost uncared for; in the accordance of special facilities for transport and travel to the Europeans and Eurasians, and in the general treatment given to Indians and Non-Indians along the routes and at the various camps. In particular, this was in evidence in the scandal of a safer and more convenient route being particularly reserved for non-Indians, while Indians were forced to travel by a longer, more difficult and more dangerous route.*

These three resolutions were passed by the A.I.C.C.at its Allahabad session in May last, but the government of India banned their publication by newspapers in India. Questioned in the House of Commons why they were banned, Mr.Amery answered by saying that they were false malicious statements made by irresponsible persons, and that their publication would endanger the safety of India. When Moulana Abul Kalam Azad promptly challenged Mr. Amery by stating that he was prepared to withdraw(as President of A.I.C.C.) any statement in these resolutions if it could be proved that it was untrue. Mr. Amery did not reply.

We urge our readers to peruse these resolutions again, especially their operative portions. A worse disaster than the one which overtook our countrymen in Burma and Malaya will befall us if we do not ACT BRAVELY, NOW! Because, there is nothing to prevent the present government from making a "strategic retreat according to plan from India," leaving us to face a ruthless enemy -- unprepared, unarmed and alone! And the retreating government's "scorched earth policy" will leave us homeless and foodless, making us an easy prey to the invading enemy.

Therefore, Countrymen, if you value your lives, the honour of your women, and your hearth and home, WAKE UP and ACT BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE!Do not depend for your protection on the present tottering government -- it MUST GO and it is BOUND TO GO! The sooner it is gone the better it will be for all of us.

Only the Congress' programme of self-sufficiency and self-protection can save us from the kind of horrors that befell our countrymen in Burma and Malaya. UNITE, ORGANIZE and EQUIP yourselves with weapons to overthrow this satanic government once and for all!

The Congress has shown us the way to our freedom and it is up to us to DO or DIE

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*The rest of the resolution which appeared in newspapers calls upon the people and government of India to give all possible help to the refugees and evacuees from Burma and Malaya.

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K. P. MALLAPPA, ESQ., B.A., LL.B.
Deputy Commissioner,

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.
Dated, Chitaldrug, 17th Decr. *194* 2.

Dear Sir,

Cutting of Telegraph Lines near Muddapur, Chitaldroog Taluk - 13th December 42.

I write to state for favour of information of Government that it is reported by the District Superintendent of Police, Chitaldroog in his No.S.B.124/42-43 dated the 15th December '42 that telegraph lines between 4 telegraph poles near the 5th Mile in Muddapur village in the limits of Bharasagar Range Police Station, Chitaldroog Taluk, has been cut on the night of 13th December 1942 by some unknown offenders and that a case under Rule 35(1) of the D.I.R. is registered and is under investigation. I have also issued instructions to the

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the culprits immediately.

Yours sincerely,

To

Mothemad-Ul-Mulk
M. G. Mehkri Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of Mysore, BANGALORE.

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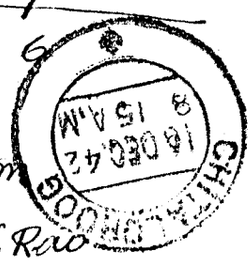

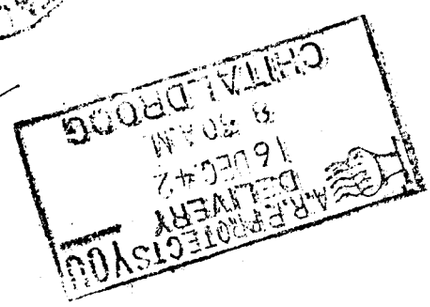

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